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Eye witness report from Nepal

EXCLUSIVE INTERVIEW
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A DORSET man and his girlfriend who survived the horrors of the recent earthquake in Nepal are begging people to make donations to help relief efforts.

Tom Greensmith and Sharnon Mentor-King, who have just flown back unhurt from Kathmandu, made their appeal in a determined attempt to ensure countless Nepalese families get help before they are exposed to coming monsoons and harsh winter conditions.

Tom told The View: "I was in Kathmandu close to the Great Stupa of Boudha when this catastrophic earthquake struck, while I was in Nepal studying the Tibetan language.

"I was unhurt but it was a terrible few days, not because of my personal situation but because I saw with my own eyes the suffering of the people and heard stories of the victims of Nepal, both locals and tourists. We were all in the same boat.

"There were countless people dead and dying in Kathmandu city itself, but it was the mountain regions of Nepal that really suffered.

"I could hear helicopters packed full of injured people being transported to the overcrowded and under-equipped hospitals. One hospital even collapsed with the patients inside.

"Whisky was used to sanitise open wounds and people were left in the corridors to sit with their pain until hospital staff could attend to them. These staff themselves had likely lost their own homes, but still they continued."

New Zealander, Sharnon, said: "When the earthquake struck we tried to stand but had to sit. Solid ground felt really unsafe and power poles were falling on cars."

Tom added: "Before the quake struck I had recently returned from a retreat in Yolmo, a remote mountain valley and a holy place of Guru Rinpoche.

"I am used to earthquakes, having lived in Japan for three years, but I had never felt an earthquake of this magnitude – 7.9 – nor one that went on for so long: 75 seconds

"I was in an open space next to the Rokpa Children's Home and heard the screams from the children. They were quickly ferried out and we all sat there together for the next five hours as wave after wave of tremors hit.

"Glass was shattering and buildings were swaying like child's toys. Even the ground was groaning as if the earth was somehow screaming.

"The biggest danger was not from building collapse but from walls about 6ft high just falling over on people like packs of cards as they tried to escape down alleyways.

"I heard from people that I met after the quake that whole villages had been laid to waste.

"Villagers are supporting each other, but food is running out and water is contaminated. They are facing starvation unless we get help there.

"A friend of mine made trips into the Yolmo Valley, as far as she could get which is only to the mouth of the valley. Although she only has first aid training, she was practically acting as a doctor. She had to make the harrowing decision over who was to be transported out via helicopter and who had to wait behind. Those left sat in pain and risked dying of infection.

"I have been very moved by the stoic resourcefulness and patience of the Nepalese people. They are simply getting on with what needs to be done. There is an great sense

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■ PICKING through the rubble of what was once their home. How will they cope when the monsoons arrive soon, to be followed by the harsh winter weather? *© Tom Greensmith*

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Dorset History Centre backs Mental Health Awareness

Staff at the Dorset History Centre have been delving into the history of the former county asylum during the period 1914-18, to mark Mental Health Awareness week which begins on May 11th.

Information from inspectors and the medical superintendent were looked at for the former Herrison Hospital, which closed in 1991 and is, today, part of the Charlton Down development. The Dorset History Centre holds the archive of the Dorset County Lunatic Asylum, covering 1829-1989 which includes patient records, committee minutes, accounts books and plans of the hospital, amongst numerous other documents. Patient records are protected from public view for 100 years.

Dorset's first county asylum was housed at Forston House, which had been donated by a local MP, Frances John Brown. When the asylum opened in 1832 it was able to house 60 patients but, despite considerable extensions over the years, proved too small. Consequently 55 acres of land were purchased at Herrison in 1860, for £5,710. The new county asylum opened on the site in 1863 with 300 beds available for patients.

The inspectors' reports for the asylum during the Great War, and a medical superintendent's report of the same time, reveal how the war affected life

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Rotarians will collect for Nepal in South Street

DORCHESTER'S three Rotary clubs will be making a street collection for aid to Nepal on this Thursday, 7th and Friday, May 8th in South Street.

President John Adams said: "For some years the Casterbridge Club has been working with a number of remote villages in Nepal to provide them with drinking water. One of our members visited them last year to see progress. He was warmly received and delighted at the way the villagers had used our resources to bring fresh water to their villages.

"Whilst currently most aid is focused on Kathmandu we are increasingly concerned for the many villages and communities such as the ones we are working with in the more isolated areas of the country."

Rotarian Richard Brind added: "We've had reports from some villages telling us that many of the schools and most of the houses have been destroyed. The rainy season is imminent and the nature of the roads and the country, which they pass through, is such that due to the earthquake most will have become totally impassable and will take years to replace."

Rotary and its sister organisations, ShelterBox and Water Survival Box, are in Nepal and the delivery of these vital survival systems is underway.

Rotarian Tim Stiles said: "One of the great privileges of being a Rotarian is to experience the generosity and support of the people of Dorchester, particularly when we take to the streets with our collecting tins on these sad and seemingly more frequent occasions.

"We are going to do all we can to alleviate the suffering of these remote Nepalese villages and communities, however long it takes, and we know we will be met next week by townsfolk who want us to do just that."

"Another way the public can help us is by supporting the Casterbridge Rotary Club's 'Gardeners' Special' event on May 29th in Stratton Village Hall. Speakers from Abbotsbury Gardens and Kingston Mauward will be present to help us raise funds for Nepal."

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RETIRED Bridport butcher, 84-year-old Douglas Rawles, looks back on his life as one of eight butchers in the town, 72 years in the trade and how it has changed.

60 SECOND INTERVIEW

● TELL us about the history of Rawles Butchers...
My grandfather established Rawles butchers in 1918, my father took over the shop, working with my brother, Harold, and I started working there at 14 after I left school. We had a slaughterhouse at North Mills and I would work in there before humane killing came in. During that time, Harold got TB and didn't think he would work again and, in the meantime, my father had cancer so I was left there with mum. My father put the shop up for rent at £13 or £14 a week for 20 years. We found that when the lease was running out, 20 years later, by law the only way to get it back in the family was if I said I wanted it. I didn't want it so my son Christopher took it over.

● WHERE did you work during the time Rawles was leased out?
I worked away from Rawles for 20 years but never out of butchering. I worked at Baxter's and Fletchers. I so-called retired at 65 but worked part-time at Rawles to help out. I used to go in on Friday and Saturday mornings, sometimes at half past three to prepare the shop. I wanted to do it and I have always been used to doing it. We are a very hard working family.

● WHAT is your fondest memory of your time at Rawles?
Well, it wasn't too bad, life is what you make it and it was hard work. My brother and I would go out and catch rabbits for the shop, several hundred a week. We even went out on Christmas day catching, much to my mother's dismay. I worked as a butcher for 72 years.

● WOULD you like to see the trade passed on to Christopher's children?
I would really like to see it passed on to Christopher's children. But I don't know what will happen.

● WHAT is the biggest change in the industry from when you were working there and now?
There used to be eight butchers in Bridport, there isn't now. You hear now about deer meat but there was nothing like that in those days - just beef, pork and lamb. Father would never have poultry with feathers on in the shop, they had to be pulled off, he was very particular.

In my day there were brass scales and weight stones. You had to work out the measures and prices in your head but now it is all electronic. If you were too slow, the customer would tell you what it was.

Also, in those days, to be a master butcher you had to be able to do everything, from working in the slaughter house, to working in the shop, to doing the book keeping and not only do I know how to do it, but these hands have done it.

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Reporting back from the Nepali earthquake

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of calm for a country facing such calamity.

"Taxi drivers are still driving despite their houses having been reduced to rubble and their families sleeping in tent cities in parks. No one knows how they are going to rebuild or when, but they are still able to smile and persevere.

"My friends and I slept on a tennis court for three nights with a make shift tent above our heads cheek by jowl with a multi-national group.

"There has been nothing but support amongst the displaced and the most amazing thing is that not once have I heard a Tibetan or Nepalese person complain about his or her lot. Not once."

I beg everyone in the Dorchester area, please make the effort to donate.

"Soon this catastrophe will be forgotten in the global media, but those families whom I stayed with in the mountains and countless others will be exposed when monsoons come soon, and the harsh winter after that.

"Without aid from Dorchester, residents and others like them they are not likely to survive."

ABOVE: Survivors huddle on open ground and, left: Sharnon Mentor-King and Tom Greensmith with fellow survivor Brian (right) from Oregon

Mental Health Awareness: the story of WWI

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at Herrison..

Charlton Down local history group is currently aiming to collect memories from people who lived, worked or were treated at Herrison. If you could to contribute to this project, please contact Maria Gayton, Community Engagement Officer at the Dorset History Centre, on (01305) 228947, or via email at: m.gayton@dorsetcc.gov.uk.

From the records it can be seen that 109 patients were transferred to the hospital from Bristol in 1915 because the Bristol asylum was been converted to be used as a war hospital and several staff have left to work in munitions.

Other inpatients followed in 1916 from Middlesex, with the asylum housing 1,124 patients at that point.

The next report was not produced until October 1918. By now, the increase in inpatient numbers due to patient transfers, including from Portsmouth where US forces were using the hospital, was having a considerable impact on the running of the asylum.

"The result of this patriotic action has necessarily been somewhat to over-crowd the asylum some of the day rooms having had to be converted into dormitories while beds have had to be placed in some of the ward corridors."

The number of staff had been considerably depleted owing to war service and "at the present time much difficulty is being experienced in obtaining the services of suitable temporary attendants or of young women who are ready to enter asylum service".

Later in 1918, Dr Peachell himself produced a report. He insisted that early treatment in the community is far preferable to enforced treatment in locked institutions.

He also understood the need to increase public understanding of mental illness, writing that: "The general public need enlightening to realise that mental disorders are not something different and apart from ordinary diseases to be viewed as a Stigma on the Family, and that to promote rapid recovery, skilled treatment in suitable environments should be started at the earliest possible moment".

Dr Peachell is concerned about the effect of transfers on patients, especially: "the large number of soldiers broken down mentally, owing to the stress and the diseases incidental to war".

He favoured specialist treatment for those affected by the trauma of war, including the "knowledge that their trouble was understood and that they could get the help of not only mental experts, but of the physician and surgeon for their physical diseases".

Dr Peachell also saw the financial benefits of keeping people from long-term in-patient status saying "civil patients should have… opportunities for early skilled treatment, which in very many cases would avoid the necessity of legal certification, and often life-long mental disablement."

HERRISON House in 1991

DCH celebrates 175th anniversary

DORSET County Hospital (DCH) is inviting local people to join in the celebrations as it marks its 175th anniversary.

The hospital and local partners are marking this special birthday through the 'Dorset County Hospital: 175 Years of Rural Healthcare' project, a celebration of 175 years of free healthcare for the people of Dorset.

As part of the event volunteers have been recording patient and staff stories which feed into a music project.

There will also be an exhibition at Dorset County Hospital on the history of medical care in the county since 1840 and a new public 'health and heritage' trail.

The project will be officially launched on May 11th from 5pm to 6.30pm in the hospital's Education Centre. There will be talks from the hospital's Chairman and Chief Executive, as well as Arts Manager Alex Murdin talking about the history of DCH.

Places for the event are limited and booking is essential. To book, email: elizabeth.beardsall@dchft.nhs.uk or calling Liz on (01305) 255419.

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Dolphins cruise through Weymouth harbour

COMMON dolphins astonish bystanders as they take a look around Weymouth Harbour

THESE common dolphins created quite a stir when they appeared in Weymouth harbour.

Dorset Wilflife Trust marine conservation officer Emma Rance said they are usually found offshore.

She added: "So when two arrived in the harbour we were obviously concerned. There had been mixed reports regarding the animals' wellbeing but thankfully they did swim out to sea later in the afternoon.

"It's difficult to say why they appeared. Perhaps they were following a shoal of fish or maybe they were lost.

"Whales and dolphins use echo-location to hunt, feed, communicate and navigate in low light conditions. Man-made underwater noise from boats, sonar and exploration can cause stress and confusion for the animals and can cause them to become stranded on the shore."

"These highly sensitive animals are protected by law. It is an offence to disturb or injure a whale or dolphin, so keep your distance!

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Junction can stay open until 3am

THE Junction Hotel is being allowed to increase its opening hours to include a 3am closing time on Friday and Saturday nights.

Neighbours living in Great Western Road and Weymouth Avenue objected but the local licensing committee has agreed the changes.

In addition to the extra two hours on Friday and Saturday, bars will now be open from 10am on Mondays to Thursdays and to 9am on Fridays and Saturdays, an hour earlier than previously.

To get the changes the pub has agreed to conditions put forward by Dorset police which include keeping an incident report register and installing CCTV that will be available for police to inspect on request.

Landlord Albert Stratford said even though the business would now be allowed to open until 3am it was likely that this would mainly be when it had functions on and his staff team would do their best to minimise disruption to those living nearby.

Weldmar opens second outlet

STEPHEN Baynard, Weldmar's Chairman, and Valerie Burnham, Director of Retail Operations, with staff at the opening of the new outlet at Marabout trading estate

WELDMAR Hospicecare Trust has opened a second outlet in Dorchester.

Following the success of the original outlet on Poundbury industrial estate, Weldmar has obtained larger premises on the Marabout trading estate to display and sell a full range of donated goods including a wide range of furniture.

It was opened on Thursday, April 30th, by Mr Stephen Baynard, chairman of Weldmar Hospicecare Trust.

The existing outlet in Poundbury will remain open as a clearance outlet for items from the chain of 19 charity shops and three outlets across the county.

Valerie Burnham, Director of Retail Operations said: "We are delighted to have secured larger premises in Dorchester so we have more opportunity to display our goods.

"As ever, we are reliant on donations from the public to stock our shops and outlets.

"We look forward to hearing from people who have items we can sell to enable us to raise the essential funds to provide our services to patients and their families in need of hospice care and support.'

Weldmar Hospicecare Trust relies on its chain of charity shops and outlets across north, south and west Dorset to help fund its care for patients with terminal illnesses and their families.

The charity needs to raise in excess of £10,000 every single day of the year to fund its nurses, doctors, therapists and counsellors who work in patients' homes, the hospice and the community.

Crime round-up

TREES STOLEN – Detectives have gone out on a limb to discover which thieves have branched out to steal 80 trees from an industrial estate in the Piddle Valley.

Staff at the Enterprise Industrial Estate at Piddlehinton logged that the trees were missing when last Friday morning.

All of the 80 newly-planted Laurel trees that lined the boundary to the estate were uprooted and taken.

Crime number: 15:18204

TWO STONE DOGS which stood sentry opposite the Stratton War Memorial have disappeared- believed stolen.Their absence was noticed last Wednesday morning.

The dogs have the post code, DT2 9RZ, stamped on their backs in permanent marker and have a damaged base.

MORE GARAGE THEFTS have been reported in Dorchester with nine household garages targeted by thieves in the Castle Park area, at Fosse Green and Celtic Crescent. Tools were amongst the stolen items.

Police suggest that older 'up and over' doors with a centre lock should fit a hasp and staple, together with a padlock as additional security. There are also mortice locks specially designed for garage doors that engage into the side frame. They should be fitted between 30-45 cms (12-18") from the ground on both left and right sides of the door to prevent the corners being lifted.

Witnesses and anyone with information should call Dorset police on 101. Alternatively, call the free and anonymous Crimestoppers line on 0800 555 111 (mobile phone tariffs may apply).

New cardiac exercise guru for Dorset County Hospital

A NEW exercise instructor, Luke Hayter, is joining Dorset County Hospital cardiac rehabilitation nurse Andrea Podmore to run exercise and education groups for Dorchester patients who have had heart attacks, stents and any form of cardiac surgery.

This has meant some changes to the days and times of the Simply Active sessions which will now run on Wednesdays at Dorchester Rugby Club from12.15pm to 1.15pm and 4.30pm to 5.30pm.

There are also plans to start further groups on Mondays in the future. For more information call Andrea on (01305) 255707.

Industry award for Futurum

DORCHESTER-BASED company Futurum Renewable Energy Systems has been presented with an award for meeting, or exceeding, industry standards for its work.

The company has received the Innasol Certified Partner certification after successfully completing the renewable heating industry's inaugural accreditation scheme by the market leader – the Innasol Customer Excellence Programme.

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Mark Blunden, Sales and Marketing Manager said: "We are proud to be one of the few companies that has successfully completed the renewable heating industry's first accreditation scheme with maximum score in our audit.

"Our certification clearly demonstrates our commitment to deliver consistently high quality installations and customer service. Through our partnership, we also have ongoing access to the very latest in technical training, meaning that we are amongst the best placed to advise our customers throughout the entire process, from initial conversations and installation, all the way through to service and maintenance.

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Weldmar now regional centre for end of life training

DORCHESTER'S Weldmar Hospicecare Trust has become the regional centre for End of Life Training.

The Trust's Education Alliance now holds the Gold Standards Framework, a nationally recognised system for identifying and ensuring the right support is given to patients who may be in their last year of life.

The regional centre's role, covering Dorset, Somerset, Devon, Cornwall, Hampshire and Wiltshire, is to promote the system and support its use through expert training. Until now it has been hosted by NHS Dorset.

Caroline Sweetland, Weldmar's lead education facilitator said: "The programme can transform the care from the minute a resident comes into a care home, enabling residents to live and die well in the place and manner of their choosing.

"These aims fit with Weldmar Hospicecare Trust's vision and mission to ensure all patients needing palliative care in Dorset have access to excellent services delivered when and where needed whether by Weldmar Hospicecare Trust, or by others supported by the Trust."

The first Care Home programme will be starting on July 22nd at the George Albert Hotel, Evershot, Dorchester. Application forms can be obtained by calling (01305) 269898 or by email from reception@weld-hospice.org.uk.

L TO R: Carole Walford, Director of Education at Weldmar Hospicecare Trust shaking hands with Cath Granger of NHS Dorset Clinical Commissioning Group, with staff from NHS Dorset, Weldmar, local Care Homes and Weldmar Trustees

Open exhibition at arts centre

DORCHESTER Arts holds its 2015 Open Exhibition at the town's Arts Centre from May 9th to 22nd.

Mark Tattersall, Dorchester Arts' Artistic Director who will also be on this years selection panel, expects this year's Open to be just as popular.

"Open Exhibitions such as this offer a wonderful opportunity for the region's artists to show their work and for visitors to appreciate the wealth of artistic talent we have in the area."

Other members of the selection panel include Fernando Velazquez (Open 2013 exhibition prize winner), Sandy Kirkby, b-side arts festival producer, Suzy Rushbrook Dorset Visual Arts programme curator and Angela Blackwell, gallery curator at Thelma Hulbert Gallery in Honiton.

Selected works will be exhibited in the studio gallery space. The exhibition includes paintings, prints, drawings, photographs, 2D and mixed media works.

For the first time this year there will be a specific prize for young artists aged 16 to 24. The winner of this category will receive a feature in the Wessex arts publication Evolver.

Prizes for the main category of artists include free entry for a solo exhibition in Dorset Art Weeks 2015, and £250 cash.

Barmey barnets for CLIC day

A DAZZLING array of wacky wigs will be on parade at St Mary's Catholic First School in Dorchester as pupils and staff raise money for children and young people with cancer.

They are taking part in Wig Wednesday, the annual fundraising event for charity CLIC Sargent.

On Wednesday, May 20th hundreds of people across the country will be sponsored to wear wigs for the day as they show support for children and young people with cancer.

Every day ten youngsters are given the devastating news they have cancer and many will lose their hair through treatment.

This is the first time St Mary's school has taken part in Wig Wednesday and staff and pupils are excited to show off some adventurous new hairstyles on the day.

Miss Jackie Clayton, head teacher, said: "All the children and staff are looking forward to Wig Wednesday and we are delighted to be taking part in this event to raise funds to support the work of CLIC Sargent."

WIG Wednesday supports children who lose their hair as a result of cancer treatment

CLIC Sargent Fundraising Manager Joy Morley said: "The funds raised from Wig Wednesday provide vital support for families, including social workers and nurses who can visit children and young people at home and provide emotional and practical support and free accommodation near hospitals during treatment."

"It's not too late to get involved in this year's Wig Wednesday. Don't mullet over, sign up today!"

Schools, businesses, communities and individuals are all invited to take part in Wig Wednesday. To find out more or to sign up call 08451 212 492 or visit www.clicsargent.org.uk/wigwednesday.

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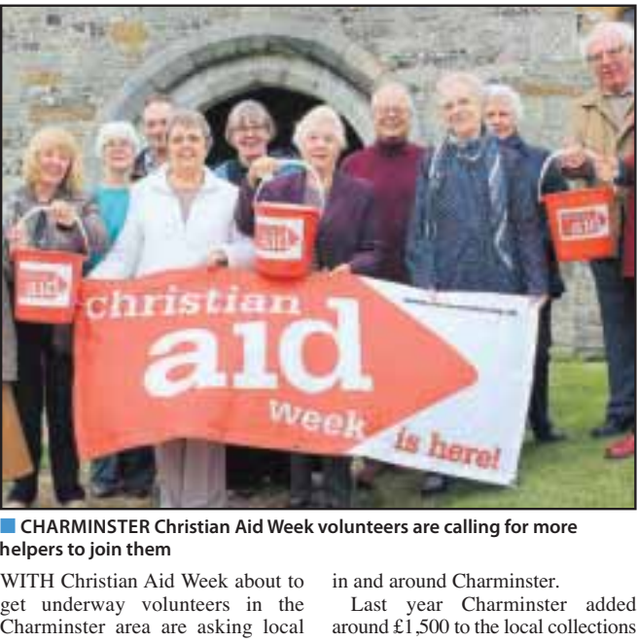

CHARMINSTER Christian Aid Week volunteers are calling for more helpers to join them

WITH Christian Aid Week about to get underway volunteers in the Charminster area are asking local people both to give generously and to offer their support by helping with collections.

In particular the local group would like to have house to house collections taking place at Charlton Down.

"There will be collection points in the Londis store and the nursing home but we would love to have enough volunteers to be able to organise a house to house collection," said Charminster organiser, Gaynor Luther. Extra helpers are also needed in and around Charminster.

Last year Charminster added around £1,500 to the local collections – an average of more than a £1 for each household.

Mrs Luther can be contacted on Dorchester (01305) 251547.

In Dorchester a Christian Aid Market will be held next Wednesday, May 13th from 9.45am until 1.30pm at the United Church in South Street.

There will also be a joint service at the Baptist Church on May 10th at 6.30pm at which the preacher will be Stephen Dominy, Regional Christian Aid Coordinator.

Animal festival fun and educational

THIS year's Animal Festival at Kingston Maurward College takes place on Sunday May 10th from 10am to 4pm.

It will be taking place at the Animal Park and the new Animal Science Centre at he Coneygar Centre.

Last year's event led the college to be officially awarded with National Pet Month's 'Best Educational Establishment Event' for the second year.

This national charity brings together organisations, professionals and pet lovers with the aim of improving the welfare of pets.

Kingston Maurward College's Animal Conservation and Welfare team has a full programme planned including ferret racing, keeper talks, pony grooming, reptiles, face painting, raffle, and tombolas.

Sponsored by Cobbydog and Kong there will be a fun dog show including Best Crossbreed, Best Junior Handler and Best Condition. Shows begin a 12.30pm with registrations starting at 11.30am.

Activities comprise reptile encounters, ferret racing, meet the guinea pigs, pony grooming, hold the barn owl, meet the Harris hawks, and pony rides from 10am to 12.30pm and again from 1.30pm to 3pm.

Exhibitors include Birdline UK with their show parrots, East Dorset Bat Rescue and Rehabilitation, Dorset Wildlife Trust, RSPB, RSPCA, and Purbeck Ferrets. Vivariums and animal enclosures will also be on sale.

Plus, new this year is a roving 'Petographer' for anyone who would like their dog's picture taken on the day!

CAB's day of 'self-questioning'

Staff and volunteers from the offices of Dorchester, Sherborne & Districts Citizens' Advice Bureaux have spent a day looking at how they might improve services.

The day of intensive self-questioning and exchange of ideas was held at Cerne Abbas village hall.

Neil Smythe, Citizens' Advice Network Development Manager, spelled out the programme and its objectives.

He told the 75 delegates that the results of a recent MORI poll, which asked 1,000 people how they preferred to access services, showed a 51% increase in preference for the online CAB Advice-guide, with a reduction of just 2% in preference for face-to-face interviews.

Said Mr Cadisch: "This day is all about getting our fantastic team together to review what are doing and how that can be improved. The people who know best how to change are those delivering the service at the sharp end."

The topics covered included public perception of CAB and it's range of services, providing easier access, campaigning and working together, how to challenge discrimination, working and collaborating with other organisations as well as understanding the role and participation of the trustees.

The Dorchester & Sherborne CAB, with offices in both towns, has a total of 102 trained volunteers and 25 staff, mostly part time. In the past year they have undergone 30,000 activities and helped more than 7,000 clients.

Its core funder is West Dorset District Council, while help is also received from Sherborne Town Council, Wessex Water, Dorset County Council, Elizabeth and Prince Zaiger Trust as well as other local charitable trusts, individuals and parish councils. The CAB does not receive funding from central government.

DELEGATES at the CAB 'away day'

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'Ladies in Beef' celebrate British beef and raise funds for farmers

KINGSTON Maurward College hosted the Ladies in Beef annual 'Host a Roast' event.

Ladies in Beef is a group of female beef farmers who care passionately about British beef. The organisation was formed to help promote awareness to consumers of the quality and versatility of British beef using a countrywide network of dynamic women beef champions.

Through regional and national fundraising events, Ladies in Beef also raises money for RABI - farming's national charity.

The Dorset Ladies in Beef have for the past three years held a 'Host a Roast' fundraising lunch at Kingston Maurward in Dorchester. This year, with ticket sales and a contribution from Kingston Maurward, the event is expected to raise around £800 for RABI.

Regional Manager for RABI South West, Pam Wills, said: "The lunch was a great success and, as always, we were looked after very well by the team at the college.

"Great British Beef Week is a chance to get British beef on the menu while raising funds for farming people. This is the third year that the Dorset RABI committee has staged a St George's Day lunch.

"The committee works hard to raise funds for farming families who are experiencing difficult times, and the lunch is a great way to bring supporters of British farming together to enjoy good food and good company in beautiful surroundings: the perfect way to celebrate British Beef!"

L-R: Trevor Cligg (NFU Dorset chairman), Liz Yeandle (Ladies in Beef), Clare Davison (Kingston Maurward College principal), Pam Wills (Regional Manager RABI South West), Reverend Canon Doctor Jean Coates and Andy Foot (NFU livestock chairman)

Are you alone at home?

Do you care for someone that would enjoy a day out?

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Please call Ruth on **01297 792218 or Steve on 01297 444483** for more information

The more people who are interested, the more likely it is that this can happen

National Trust supporters' May outings

THE local group of National Trust supporters have two activities planned in the coming days.

This Friday, May 8th, they will visit the Somerset locations of Lytes Cary Manor and Tintinhull Garden.

Lytes Cary Manor is a medieval house with a beautiful Arts and Crafts garden. Originally the family home of Henry Lyte, where he translated the Niewe Herbal book on herbal remedies, Lytes Cary was then restored in the 20th century by Sir Walter Jenner.

Tintinhull Garden is a two-acre formal garden, the vision of amateur gardener Phyllis Reiss who created it between 1933 and 1961. She always tried to plant two things together that complemented one another, and when garden designer and writer Penelope Hobhouse was a tenant in the house and garden between 1980 and 1993 she continued this tradition.

The garden 'rooms' have secluded lawns, pools and colourful mixed borders, while the lovely kitchen garden provides vegetables for the restaurant at Montacute House.

The trip costs £14 for members £15 for non-National Trust members and non-NT members will also have to pay entrance fees to properties

For information contact organiser Peter Heeler on Dorchester (01305) 787188, or via email: peter.heeler@talk 21.com.

The second event for May is on Tuesday May 12th when the Rev Stewart Timbrell will talk on: 'Herbs & the History of Medicine', described as "a humorous rant through historical medicine."

It takes place at St Aldhelm's Centre, Spa Road, Weymouth at 2.30pm. Members £2.50, non-members £3.

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Pilbeam's Progress

A MORNING walk on Hardy's Egdon Heath, led by Mavis Pilbeam takes place from Thorncombe Wood this Sunday, May 10th.

Those taking part in the Thomas Hardy Society walk will enjoy the sight and sounds of the bird life and experience something of the life of the heath which inspired Thomas Hardy's "The Return of the Native."

Walkers should meet at Hardy's Birthplace visitor centre, at the edge of the Thorncombe Wood car park at 9am.

The route will cover about three miles and will include one or two hills.

Refreshments will be available afterwards at the visitor centre.

There is no charge for the walk but the Hardy Society would like those planning to attend to contact them via their website, or by email at: info@hardy society.org.

The Hardy Birthday Weekend celebration will take place on the weekend of Satrday, June 6th and Sunday, June 7th in Dorchester and will include another walk, a lecture looking at his links with Virginia Woolf, the traditional wreath-laying at Hardy's Statue and a service at St Michael's Church in Stinsford.

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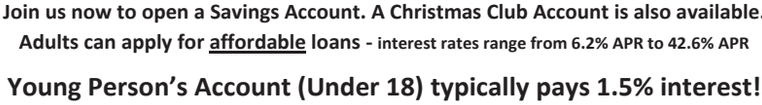

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Hardy events at Lulworth Castle

TO MARK the release of Thomas Hardy's new film, 'Far from the Madding Crowd', Lulworth Castle and park will be celebrating their links with the famous Dorset writer throughout the month of May.

Lulworth's history, including Thomas Hardy's architectural links with the estate, and the inspiration taken by the poet and writer in his most famous works, will be highlighted through a series of guided tours, on their website and by a photographic competition.

David Greenhalf, Lulworth's historian and custodian, will be giving a 60 minute tour exploring Lulworth Castle, St Andrews Church and St Mary's Chapel and their connections with the famous novelist, poet and lesser known architect.

The guided tours will be held on May 10th, 24th and 25th at noon. Tours cost £14 per person and will include a Dorset cream tea.

There is also chance to win tickets to see the release of the new film by entering the Lulworth Coast & Country Photographic Competition.

For more information contact Lulworth on 01929 400352, email: hardy@lulworth.com or visit the website: www.lulworth.com/hardy.

News in brief...

■ THE WATERCOMBE BENEFICE PRAYER GROUP will resume their meetings this Thursday, May 7th, at Holworth House.

■ LOCAL BIKERS will be meeting this Thursday, May 7th, at the Dorchester Rugby Club in Coburg Road for a talk from the Advanced Motorcyclist.

Doors open at 6.30pm with the talk at 7pm.

■ ANTIQUES EXPERT PAUL ATTERBURY will be looking back at the incidents which have shaped his career during talk at the Brownsword Hall on Friday, May 8th.

Doors open at 7pm with the Antiques Roadshow expert speaking at 7.30pm.

Tickets are available from Rivoli in Pummery Square, or online from www.brownswordevents.co.uk.

■ TRANSITION TOWN DORCHESTER is holding a workday at the Community Farm in Poundbury this Saturday, May 8th, and would welcome volunteers.

The team will be carrying out a variety of tasks from 10am until 3pm.

Similar volunteer days are being held on Sundays, May 17th, 24th and 31st,

The farm is just behind Parkway Farm Business Centre off Middle Farm Way, Poundbury, Dorchester DT1 3AR.

■ MAIDEN NEWTON ARTIST Carole Irving will be leading a taster session 'Painting for Fun' at Frampton Village Hall this Saturday (May 9th).

The 9am to 1pm session costs £15 and can be booked by email to Carole at carole.irving@btinternet.com or by calling 01300 321356. Examples of her work can be seen at www.caroleirvingart.co.uk.

Cathartic return for author

■ AUTHOR Mike Hillier, with a copy of his novel 'Secret of the Cathars'

FORMER Dorchester resident Mike Hillier was back in the county town to sign copies of his latest book.

With eight novels under his belt the last sold more than ten thousand copies.

His latest, Secret of the Cathars, is now published as a paperback and tells the story of a medieval heretic sect living in Languedoc in southern France and how, in 1244, four of them managed to escape after a ten month siege and fled with the Cathars' treasure.

Mike's novel is set in modern times and tells the story of the hunt for the thirteenth century treasures.

Mike said: "The starting point for research was The Holy Blood and the Holy Grail which has fascinated a number of authors including Kate Mosse and Dan Brown.

"I have made a several visits to the area which is home to a quite a few mysteries."

Mr Hillier moved to Dorchester with his wife when her daughter became the owner of the Greyhound Inn at Sydling St Nicholas. They have also lived at Charlton Down and Martinstown before retiring to Spain.

News in brief...

■ A QUIZ NIGHT is being held at Crossways Court in the village on Saturday, May 9th. Tickets for the 7pm event in Binghams Road are available from the Rectory, Premier Stores, Crossways Court itself or at church services. The £5 entry includes hot dogs, a surprise sweet, and tea or coffee. Profits will benefit The Mission of the Church.

■ SOUTH DORSET RSPB group is holding a plants sale at the United Church, Dorchester on Saturday, May 9th at 10am. The sale will also offer bric-a-brac, books, cakes, produce and a tombola. Free entry.

■ STRATTON & DISTRICT HOME AND GARDEN CLUB holds its spring plant sale on Saturday, May 9th in the village Hall from 10am.

■ DORCHESTRA, the Dorchester Community Orchestra, is holding a summer concert on Sunday, May 10th, conducted by Catherine Oakley.

The event will be held at 4pm in Sunninghill Community Hall, Culliford Road.

There is no entry charge, and the concert will be followed by tea and cakes. There will be a retiring collection for the Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance.

■ A PLANT SALE with cream teas will be held at Frampton village hall on Sunday, May 10th from 2.30pm. Weldmar Hospicecare Trust will be the beneficiary.

■ A GROUP FOR TODDLERS and their carers is held at the Dorchester Community Church in Acland Road every Monday from 11.30am to 2.15pm.

Further information is available by calling Dorchester (01305) 265579.

Matthew Paterson is celebrating his first year with Lyme Bay Dentistry. Matthew who previously worked in Beaminster says, "It's a fantastic dental practice, with a fabulous team of dedicated people who want the best for our patients. I am delighted to be part of this great team."

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YourLetters

Mayor Peter Mann 'spoke truth to power'

I write in response to your article on 'Mayor's remarks at hustings 'too political'' (View from Dorchester, 29th April).

I would like to show my personal support for the mayor of Dorchester in the way he introduced the hustings.

I was at the meeting and was thoroughly impressed by the mayor's passion for humanity. Indeed, I would have expected nothing less from a man who chaired the local Christian Aid team for years and someone who I know cares deeply for the plight of the poorest in our community and indeed, the world.

I think the mayor's introduction was one of the finest examples of 'speaking truth to power' that I have personally witnessed. What is it about the idea of a more just society that could be threatening? Is this not what all politicians should be working towards? I only wish there were more public figures who had the degree of zeal displayed by Mr Mann.

I wish the mayor well in his future and will personally miss his presence as he retires from politics in Dorchester!

Mr Lee Rhodes
Marie Road, Dorchester

Sort out the Weymouth Avenue bridge

I would like to draw your attention to the Weymouth Avenue bridge over the railway and the hole in its Queen's Avenue wall that's appeared in recent hours.

There must be immense concern on the impact on all users of this bridge: pedestrians of all ages (including substantial numbers of school children) and traffic into and out of Dorchester on this main route.

It's all very well placing a sign at either end of the already inadequate path on the Queen's Avenue side, but that simply does not address the problem.

It's not clear if the more than two metres stretch of wall that's been removed was due to fundamental weakness because of age or if it's part of some other plan.

What is clear is that the hole considerably worsens and makes more dangerous, the already hazardous situation caused by the narrowness of the pavement the bridge.

What is urgently needed are better, safer and more clearly-marked temporary crossing arrangements, and some form of outer pedestrian bridge on the Queen's Avenue side beyond the brick wall like that found on both the nearby Maumbury Road Bridge.

I would like to conclude by noting that this bridge and related junction roadworks were left out of the recent Dorchester Transport & Environment Plan, but that hardly comparable things like Glyde Path Road's junction with High West Street and the widening of High West Street's pavement outside the Martyrs' Museum were thought valid uses of public money.

Philip Jordan
address supplied

The views expressed in letters are those of the author and not necess arily of this newspaper

Cakes provide pedal power

A group of Dorset cyclists will have to get a few more miles under their belts to make up for all the cake eaten at a recent sale to raise money for Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance.

Ten Magna employees plus friends and family will be taking part in the gruelling coast-to-coast cycle challenge on Sunday May 17th.

Jason Weston, head of health, safety and facilities for Magna and part of the cycle team, said: "On our practice runs we always make sure we have somewhere good to stop for coffee and cake, so having a cake sale at work to raise some money was a natural next step.

"We've been training hard and everyone has been very generous with their sponsorship so far, particularly some of the local businesses, but this gave a few more people at work the chance to add to our funds.

"We were overwhelmed with donations of cakes from staff and even more so by the number of people buying a slice of cake. We've raised nearly £300 from the sale."

The Magna team will be part of 600 riders in the challenging 54-mile route setting off from the west Somerset port of Watchet. The team will cycle through some beautiful villages and countryside before finishing in West Bay. They will have to endure some serious hill climbs that will test the riders' stamina but they are looking forward to the challenge.

Jason added: "It's going to be hard work, but I'm sure we'll all do it. This particular charity is all the more relevant to us at Magna as it covers the area where we have properties and we are proud to support the communities we are based in."

The team has set up a 'Just Giving' page for anyone who wants to sponsor them, just search for Magna-Housing.

TWO of the Magna cycle team, Jason Weston and Colette McKenney, preparing for the May 17th Coast to Coast ride

News in brief...

MARTINSTOWN VILLAGE HALL will host a crafts fair this Sunday, May 10th, from 10.30am to 3pm.

Further information from 07881 561 599.

THE CHRISTIAN AID MARKET takes place next Wednesday, May 13th, at the United Church hall in South Street from 9.45 am to 1.30 pm. There will be stalls galore, and refreshments. Ploughman's lunches will be served from noon.

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View from newspapers in West Dorset

Still time to join the Lions' fun run

THE Spicer family from last year's run

ENTRIES are still being accepted to this year's Dorchester Lions Fun Run, starting at the town's Middle School this Sunday morning, May 10th.

Entry forms are available from Goulds, Dorchester Sports Centre and the Tourist Information Centre but entry can be obtained on the day – although runners not yet booked in are being warned they should turn up allowing plenty of time to fill in the paperwork.

The registration desk will be open from 9am with a fancy dress competition and warm up starting at 10am.

The 10km run will start at 10.25am and the 2km at 10.30am. The presentation to runners will take place at about 11.45am.

Toddlers under the age of four are welcome in pushchairs and wheelchairs.

Please see website for further details and route map: www.lionsdorchester.org.uk.

Strolling around Thorncombe

Looking at the view from the Roman Road path

DORCHESTER Strollers visited Thorncombe Woods on one of their recent out of town walks, taking in the Roman Road, returning via Rushy Pond to the Pine Lodge Tearooms.

Dorchester Strollers is an accredited Walking for Health Group offering a slow walk of up to 45 minutes and a faster longer walk of an hour on Monday mornings and Tuesday afternoons. Walks are led by trained leaders.

Programmes can be obtained from Dorchester Tourist Information Centre or by phoning (01305) 264759.

Showing of archive film of Dorset

Archive film from Dorset's past will be on show in Dorchester next week, courtesy of Trevor Bailey of the Windrose Rural Media Trust.

'Dorset in Film' has been organised by the Dorset Archives Trust (DAT) and takes place on Thursday, May 14th at 7.30pm in the Dorset History Centre. The film collection itself has recently moved from its long-term home in Bourton, north Dorset to the Dorset History Centre where it will be preserved in the centre's strongrooms.

The event will be presented by Trevor Bailey who has worked with Windrose for 28 years, amassing the collection and developing an unrivalled knowledge of the county's film heritage. A key area of interest for Windrose has been to capture the changing face of rural England and to bring film and radio to some of the county's least accessible places.

Tickets cost £10 to include canapés and a glass of wine.

All proceeds will help the work of Dorset Archives Trust in supporting its work to preserve Dorset's written heritage.

To book tickets, go to www.dorsetarchivestrust.org/events, email: enquiries@dorsetarchivestrust.org or telephone (01305) 228945.

News in brief...

■ BOVINGTON MILITARY WIVES' CHOIR will be in concert at the new Moreton Village Hall on Saturday, May 16th at 7pm. Tickets cost £7 per person with children under 14 free.

The group will be presenting a mix of old and new melodies with some Military Wives favourites and a couple of audience participation choices.

Proceeds will go towards Moreton Village Hall and the Military Wives' Choir charity.

Tickets from Mrs Carol Gibbens (01929) 462468.

Moreton tearooms will offer a post-concert meal deal of 2 courses and a glass of wine for £17.50 per person – to be booked directly through the Tearooms by telephoning 01929 463647.

■ DORSET MACMILLAN ADVOCACY is offering one-to-one support to people over 50 who are affected by cancer – either as patient, family member, carer or friend.

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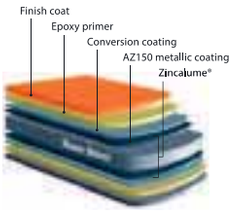

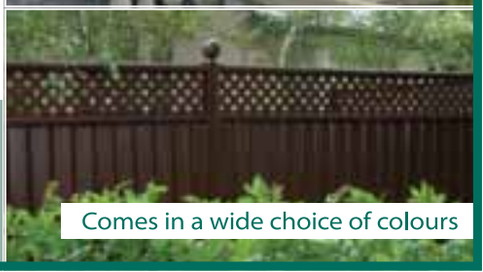

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ANTHONY Bown: four years

ROBERT Hamilton: 18 months

TWO MEN have been jailed for a total of five years and six months after being convicted of committing unrelated burglaries in the county.

Anthony Bown, 51 of Christchurch, was sentenced to four years imprisonment at Dorchester Crown Court on Friday 24 April 2015 for a burglary in West Bay. The court heard that Bown broke into the NISA store at Parkdean Holiday Park in the early hours of Friday, July 4th 2014.

The front door had been smashed and over £5000 worth of tobacco products had been taken.

A police investigation, including CCTV analysis and forensic examinations, was carried out. It revealed that Bown had been staying in a nearby park under a false name. He was subsequently arrested the same day.

In a separate incident, Robert Hamilton – 22 and of Weymouth – pleaded guilty to burglary and aggravated vehicle theft at Dorchester Crown Court.

He was handed an 18-month prison sentence on Monday 9 April 2015 at the same court.

The court heard that police were called in the early hours of Friday, March 13th 2015 to reports of a burglary and car theft at an address in Sherborne.

The victim, a 76-year-old local woman, woke up that morning to find a window had been forced open, keys, camera, a birth certificate and a cheque had been taken and her VW Polo had been stolen from the driveway.

The vehicle was located that day by police after it collided with a wall in Sherborne. It was forensically examined and swabs for DNA testing were obtained. The swabs matched the DNA profile of Hamilton.

Investigations Officer Geoff Kerley, of Weymouth CID, said: "We welcome the sentences given in both these case.

"Burglary offences will be dealt with extremely robustly in Dorset and these outcomes reflect that."

New police campaign to tackle cyber-crime

DORSET police and the Police and Crime Commissioner have launched a new cyber-crime prevention campaign.

The campaign, named CyberSafe, will focus on financial based crime, child online safety, social networking safety and online fraud and property crime.

The threat from cyber-crime is a rapidly growing problem and is a priority for Dorset police.

To tackle this growing phenomenon, Dorset police has created a Cyber-Crime Unit which is focused on ensuring that the force provides a quality response to all forms of online crime in our communities.

The unit will be working in conjunction with regional and national units to ensure that they remain skilled and equipped to face the challenge of fighting crime in cyberspace.

Police are also working in conjunction with representatives from the Bournemouth University Cyber Security Unit (BUCSU) and Get Safe Online.

Director of Intelligence, Detective Superintendent Mark Callaghan, said: "Cyber-crime is a fast growing area of crime. More and more criminals are exploiting the speed, convenience and facelessness of the internet to commit a range of criminal activities.

"There are many opportunities offered by the internet, particularly the growth in online shopping and banking, which make us vulnerable to crime.

"Online safety shouldn't be taken for granted or assumed."

Dorset Police and Crime Commissioner, Martyn Underhill, said: "Cyber-crime has the potential to affect every household in Dorset. Our young people are at increased risk of cyber-bullying, an awful crime which has far reaching effects.

"We have also seen an increase in the risks to the older population as they embrace new technology to enable them to carry out financial transactions online and keep in touch with loved ones. It is essential that we prioritise tackling this new and growing threat which exists not on our streets but in cyberspace.

THE new cyber crime awareness poster

Doctor Christopher Richardson, Head of Bournemouth University Cyber Security Unit said: "Cyber is pervasive to our digital society; it controls our services, drives the economy, banks our money, sells our goods and pays our bills.

"With the benefits of the world-wide web and other online opportunities generating so much wealth, cyberspace also attracts undesirable consequences and individuals with malicious intent.

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Litigation & Employment Solicitor Joins Nantes Team

Nantes Solicitors, based in Bridport, Dorchester and Weymouth, are pleased to welcome Tim Glover to their local team of specialist solicitors.

Tim has over 23 years of experience in his field and joins Nantes Solicitors from Letchers in Ringwood. Prior to this Tim worked at a firm in Weymouth for 11 years until 2007. Tim has remained involved in the local community for many years as a coach at Weymouth and Portland Rugby club.

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- Unfair dismissal, settlement agreements and discrimination claims

Tim is also an accredited civil mediator and has been involved in numerous mediations. He has also been engaged as a mediation trainer most recently for NATO in the USA.

Tim Glover - Litigation & Employment Solicitor

Tim Glover commented...
"I am delighted to be joining Nantes. I have been involved in the local community for many years and it is a fantastic opportunity to return to the area and join this highly regarded firm."

Gill Fribbance, Director and Solicitor commented...
"We are delighted to announce the appointment of Tim Glover who brings additional expertise to our Litigation end Employment team. As solicitors who undertake all types of work for our private and business clients we have implemented a strategy of growth which focuses on maintaining our high standards of service. Tim's knowledge and experience will further enable us to provide first-class Litigation and Employment services to our clients."

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With regular contact with estate agents, he can help you find your dream property or seek advice on the improvements required to sell your property.

With more people opting to work from home, why not explore the idea of having a new space added to your property specially designed to your requirements. Jim has recently been designing a number of multifunctional spaces to suit the clients needs. With a list of contractors that can help deliver the perfect home work space.

Travelling is never an issue, currently Jim has jobs covering areas up to Yeovil, Dorchester and across to Sidmouth, as well as work further afield in the London area. So why not give Jim and ring and see how he can help.

Since setting up his business in March 2011, Jim has also completed projects ranging from a small Kitchen Extension through to detached garages and ancillary accommodation, Listed Barn Conversions and was also part of the team associated with gaining the Outline Planning Approval for a new primary school

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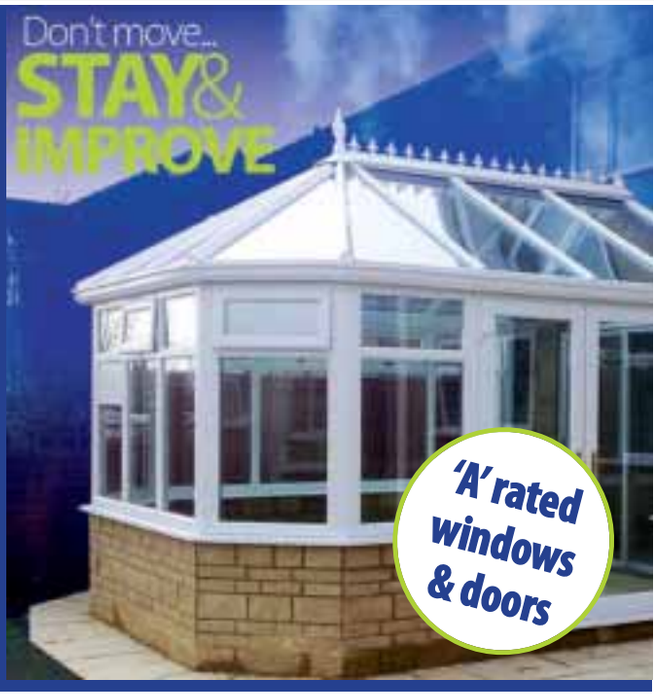

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With a cast of ten, including many familiar faces from past productions and introducing talented newcomers, the audience will be entertained by the twists and turns of this witty, innovative new script.

The production runs at the Theatre from June 1st to 6th inclusive. Doors open at 7pm to allow theatre goers time to enjoy a drink at the bar before the curtain goes up at 7.30pm.

Tickets cost £8 for adults, £7 for seniors and £6 for children and will be available from Danny's in Fortuneswell and Cards and Celebrations in Easton from Monday, May 18th.

They are already onsale online at www.royalmanortheatre.co.uk or from Ticket Source by calling 0333 6663366.

Recent shows have sold out early so people are advised to book tickets to beat the rush and avoid disappointment.

SW tourism awards: entries close June 12th

THIS YEAR'S official tourism awards for the south west are now open and businesses are invited to enter by midnight on June 12th.

The last event attracted 425 entries with over 100 winners and 19 going on to become national finalists.

The awards cover the whole south west, including Somerset, Wiltshire, Gloucestershire, Bath, Bristol and the Isles of Scilly, along with the linked awards programmes in Devon, Dorset and Cornwall.

New categories this year include an award for Spas and Wellbeing, Active and Sporting experience and Artistic, Cultural and Learning Experience.

Recognising the importance of attracting overseas visitors there's also a new award for International Visitor Experience – all of these in the Dorset, Cornwall & Devon awards section.

Cheryl Dixon, one of last year's winners from North Hayne Farm Cottages, said: "The process is very straight forward, aided by really useful tips on the website which are well worth reading. I would urge every tourism business to have a go."

John Crouch, Commercial Manager of main sponsors South West Water said: "Being part of awards is a privilege and lends the opportunity to visit many of the tourism businesses."

The Dorset Tourism Awards are sponsored by Saffery Champness. Andrew Alder, Partner, said: "Saffery's have been involved from the launch of the Dorset Tourism Awards and have been delighted to see their year-on-year development and impact. They have helped raise the profile of Dorset, have enabled Dorset businesses to win awards both regionally and nationally, and have helped raise the quality of the Dorset visitor experience."

The deadline for entering is midnight on June 12th, but businesses are encouraged to start preparing now and not leave it to the last minute.

Full details of the tourism awards, along with details of how to enter, top tips and entry forms can be found at www.dorsettourismawards.org.uk.

Free folk events, street dancing and two concerts

THE crowd enjoying a performance at year's festival

WESSEX Folk Festival will be staging two special folk concerts as well as the usual free music and street dancing during the festival weekend.

The concerts, in Hope Church in Trinity Street, include Steve Turner on May 29th and Tim Laycock and Colin Thompson on May 30th.

Turner comes from a family of concertina players and singers and began his career on the Manchester folk scene. He is a multi-instrumentalist, who accompanies himself on the cittern, and plays mandolin and banjo.

Laycock is a multi-talented actor, playwright, singer, musician and song-writer. He has been playing and singing at folk clubs and festivals for over 25 years using mainly the concertina, melodeon or guitar.

His repertoire is drawn from the great collections of traditional folk songs, sea shanties and ballads. Many of his songs and stories are inspired by his native county, Dorset.

Tim Laycock will be joined by local musician, Colin Thompson, for this concert. Support for both concerts will be the fantastic local female duo, The Two Peas.

Both concerts start at 8pm, with doors open at 7.30 pm. Refreshments will be available.

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Racing yacht rescued by RNLI

THE AMY LOU racing yacht which ran aground on the Mixen Reef PHOTO: Harry Walton

A YACHT which ran aground on a reef just outside the harbour had to be rescued by Weymouth lifeboat.

The ten-metre maxi yacht Amy Lou was part of a fleet racing from The Solent to Weymouth. She sent out a 'mayday' message after she ran aground on the Mixen Reef in front of the Nothe Fort and alongside the Stone Pier.

Lifeboat spokesman Ken Francis said: "The yacht with two experienced sailors on board apparently got into trouble when the spinnaker sail was being dropped and a rope became wrapped around the propeller. The strong easterly wind soon blew the yacht on to the reef.

"It is believed that a nearby safety boat tried to haul the yacht off but abandoned attempts when she nearly grounded."

Weymouth's all-weather lifeboat along with the inshore lifeboat and beach lifeguard RIB were launched and the inshore lifeboat then transferred a tow line from the all-weather lifeboat to the causality vessel and a tow was established.

With the inshore lifeboat pulling on a line at the top of the yacht's mast to make her heel over and help to free the keel from the rocks, the all-weather lifeboat hauled the yacht free from the reef.

Once clear of the rocks and in deeper water, a check was carried out to ensure that no water was entering the vessel before she was taken to Portland Marina where she was lifted out of the water to be inspected for any damage.

Tea on the Quay tribute to musician Tom Caulfield

SEVEN bands blasted out their music when the ninth Tea on the Quay Festival was held in Weymouth.

Among bands taking to the stage by Town Bridge were Surfing Birds, Speedway Snails, Jack Ratts and Hustle.

The festival included a special feature and tribute to popular local musician Tom Caulfield following his recent tragic death.

Event organiser Keith Treggiden of The Rendezvous said: "Tom was one of our resident musicians at the Royal Oak pub and very much part of the Rendezvous family.

"He is sadly missed and we thought a 50-minute set at the festival would be a fitting tribute.

"All money raised by the festival will go to Tom's chosen charity which is Steve Charles Help A Friend.

"There will be a special service in memory of Tom at Weymouth Pavilion on Friday, May 8th, at 1pm followed by a private funeral service after which a wake will be held here at the Rendezvous."

Your vote counts

TODAY is the final day of canvassing before the entire country goes to the polls tomorrow (Thursday, May 7th) for general and local elections.

Seven candidates are contesting the South Dorset seat in the general election.

They include Simon Bowkett (Labour), Jane Burnet (Green), defending MP Richard Drax (Conservative), Andy Kirkwood (Movement for Democrat Change), Howard Legg (Liberal Democrat), Malcolm Shakesby (UKIP) and Mervyn Stewkesbury (Independent).

The borough elections will see nearly 50 candidates contest 12 seats on the 36-seat Weymouth & Portland Borough Council which is currently a hung council with no one party in overall control.

Votes from the general election will be counted at Weymouth Pavilion Ocean Room from 10pm on May 7th, while votes for the borough elections will be counted at the Ocean Room on the afternoon of Friday, May 8th.

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Friday 15 May
Electric Palace, BRIDPORT
Stompin' Dave and His Bluegrass Band
Doors 7pm.
£10.50 adv/£12 door

Crown Inn, BRIDPORT
UK My Les Paul meet 8.30pm
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Saturday 16 May
Arts Centre, BRIDPORT
Gaz Brookfield
8pm. £8/£7/£6

Re-loved Vintage & Tea Rooms/Bistro, 2 Cornhill, DORCHESTER
Bernardo playing Vintage Guitar
7pm. Free entry, booking advised - 01305 257070.

Electric Palace, BRIDPORT
Swing Unlimited All Stars Big Band: A tribute to Count Basie
Doors 6.30pm..
£13+bf adv/£15 door

Crown Inn, BRIDPORT
UK My Les Paul meet 8.30pm

Nag's Head, LYME REGIS
Real World
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Sunday 17 May
Crown Inn, BRIDPORT
Gut & Steel 4pm
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Tuesday 19 May
Arts Centre, BRIDPORT
Pool of Sound String Quartet
7.30pm. £10/£8/£6
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Friday 22 May
Arts Centre, BRIDPORT
Jazz Café: Sound of Blue Note
8pm. £10/£5
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Saturday 23 May
Re-loved Vintage & Tea Rooms/Bistro, 2 Cornhill, DORCHESTER
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7pm. Free entry, booking advised - 01305 257070.

Nag's Head, LYME REGIS
Real Deal

Swing Unlimited All Stars Big Band come to Bridport

BIG BAND TRIBUTE TO COUNT BASIE AT THE ELECTRIC PALACE

FOLLOWING sell-out performances for three years running, Swing Unlimited All Stars Big Band come to Bridport Electric Palace, playing a Tribute to Count Basie, on Saturday, May 16th, with arrangements and vocals for an evening of great entertainment and great music.

Numbers include well-known favourites such as Jumping at the Woodside and One O'clock Jump. It's an event not to be missed - book in advance to ensure a seat.

Count Basie is one of the all-time, big band greats. Buddy Rich recalled having more pleasure playing in Basie's Big Band than even in his own. Tony Bennett said that he'd like to thank the Count more than anyone else for teaching him to perform.

The Swing Unlimited All Stars Big Band tribute to Count Basie takes place at the Electric Palace on Saturday, May 16th, with doors opening 6.30pm for a 7.30pm start.

Tickets are £13 plus booking fee in advance, or £15 on the door. Advance tickets can be purchased through Electric Palace Box Office (open Tues–Sat, 10am- 4pm), Bridport TIC (open Mon-Sat 10am-3pm) on 01308 424901 or online through Seetickets.com

Swing Unlimited All Stars Big Band

the venues

To advertise your live music call Rob Coombe on 01297 446146 or email rob.coombe@pemedia.co.uk

THE CROWN INN
WEST BAY ROAD, BRIDPORT
Saturday 9th May
FREAK CIRCUS
9pm
Sunday 10th May
ANSELL & GRETEL
4pm
www.lemonrock.com/crowninn
Tel 01308 422037

The Nag's Head
Silver St, Lyme Regis
Tel 01297 442312
FORTHCOMING EVENTS
Saturday 9th May
ALAN WEST & STEVE BLACK
Saturday 16th May
REAL WORLD
Saturday 23rd May
REAL DEAL
Saturday 30th May
BUG TREE SWAMP
www.nagsheadlymeregis.co.uk

Dub Pistols and The Shires announced for Lulworth festival

MORE MUSICAL TREATS ADDED TO CAMP BESTIVAL 2015 LINE-UP

HEADING up the latest catalogue of rampant rock n rollers for Camp Bestival 2015 are old festival friends the Dub Pistols. Just about to drop their latest long-player, *Return of the Pistoleros*, on Camp Bestival sister label Sunday Best, this is one seven-piece who are no strangers to wild ways, and we can't wait to have a little skank with them down in Dorset!

There will also be live music from country duo The Shires, ambitious and arresting behaviour from The Bohicas, dreamy tropicalia from Cristobal and the Sea, Black Butter's Kiko Bun and mad sample-driven beats from Eaves.

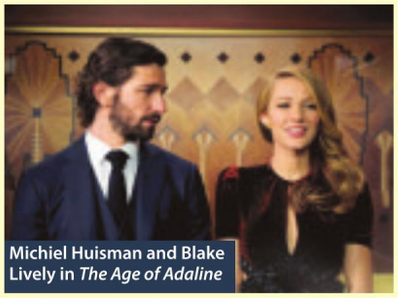
Plus there'll be captivating, bespoke music from Kimberly Anne, timeless songs of beauty from Ciaran Lavery, raw blues from Bournemouth duo Jawbone, live electronics from Vice Collective, fresh sounds from singer songwriter Jojo Macari, Celtic rabble rousing from Black Water Count, country & western joys from Clint Westwood, classic rock and pop from Joe Innes Band and country music from Canadian folkster Zachary Lucky.

Organiser Rob Da Bank commented: "The sun's out, the tents are out in the garden airing, and sleeping bags being unfurled ready for festival season. Camp Bestival tickets are flying out the door, so we thought we'd add a bit more flavour to our wild and wonderful happenings this year. From The Shires country majesty, to the Dub Pistols reggae skank, and new bloods Kiko Bun and Kimberly Anne bringing their up-and-coming vibes to the castle, our musical line-up's never been so diverse".

Camp Bestival 2015 takes place at Lulworth Castle from Thursday, July 30th to Sunday, August 2nd.

For further line-up and ticket information visit www.campbestival.net.

This week's new cinema


Michiel Huisman and Blake Lively in *The Age of Adaline*

THE AGE OF ADALINE 12A
A YOUNG woman, born at the turn of the 20th century, is rendered ageless after an accident. After many solitary years, she meets a man who complicates the eternal life she has settled into.
Stars Blake Lively, Michiel Huismann and Harrison Ford.

SPOOKS: THE GREATER GOOD 15
WHEN a terrorist escapes custody during a routine handover, Will Holloway must team with disgraced MI5 Intelligence Chief Harry Pearce to track him down before an imminent terrorist attack on London.
Stars Kit Harington, Jennifer Ehle and Tuppence Middleton.

TOP FIVE 15
A COMEDIAN tries to make it as a serious actor when his reality-TV star fiancée talks him into broadcasting their wedding on her TV show.
Rom-com starring Chris Rock, Rosario Dawson and Gabrielle Union.

BIG GAME 12A
A YOUNG teenager camping in the woods helps rescue the President of the United States when Air Force One is shot down near his campsite.
Stars Samuel L. Jackson, Onni Tommila and Ray Stevenson.

Onni Tommila and Samuel L. Jackson in *Big Game*

Cinema Listings

Friday, May 8th - Thurs, May 14th
ALL LISTINGS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

LYME REGIS REGENT
Tel: 0871 230 3200
www.scottcinemas.co.uk

Far From The Madding Crowd 12A
Fri-Tue: 17.10, 20.00
Wed: 14.20, 17.10, 20.00
Thu: 15.50
Home U
Sat & Sun: 14.30
National Theatre Live: Man v Superman
Thu: 18.45

BRIDPORT ARTS CENTRE
Tel: 01308 424204
www.bridport-arts.com

ROH: La Fille Mal Gardee
Sun: 14.00
Big Eyes 12A Thu: 19.30

DORCHESTER ODEON
Tel: 0871 22 44 007
www.odeon.co.uk

DORCHESTER PLAZA
Tel: 01305 262488
www.plazadorchester.com
Contact cinemas or visit the websites for up-to-date listings

WEYMOUTH CINEWORLD
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Full listings unavailable at time of going to print

Brigstocke on the bill at Camp Bestival

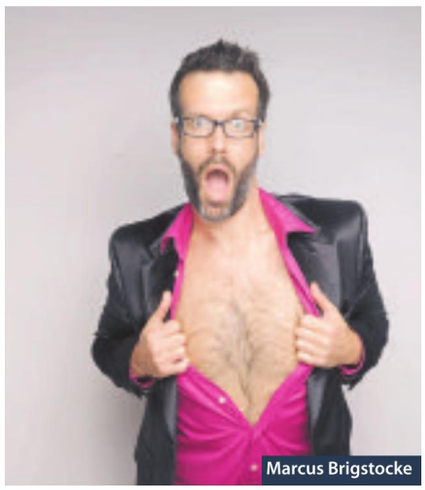
STAND up extraordinaire, Marcus Brigstocke will lead this year's comedy capers at Camp Bestival.

A star of radio, TV and stage, Marcus has done it all, from acclaimed shows for BBC Radio 4, to regularly appearing on Have I Got News for You, QI, and even having a turn as King Arthur in Spamalot; he definitely knows how to tickle those funny bones!

Commenting on his headline comedy set in the Big Top Marcus Brigstocke said: "Camp Bestival is always a glorious weekend. I can't wait. It's a blinding line-up, and a beautiful spot, too".

There will also be side-splitting turns from erstwhile Xtra Factor presenter, and Viral Tap panellist Matt Richardson, *Derek's* Kerry Godliman, Edinburgh Comedy Award winner Phil Nichol, award-winning musical comedy EastEnd Cabaret, and Edinburgh Comedy Awards' Best Newcomer 2014, Alex Edelman. Plus we'll have comedy sets from Andre Vincent, Dave Johns, Sofie Hagen, Jamali Maddix, Benny Boot, Wayne Deakin, Rob Deering, Damian Clark, Pete Cain plus the excellent Comedy Club 4 Kids.

For more details and ticket information visit www.campbestival.net


Marcus Brigstocke

A fairy tale of World War II

BRIDPORT Arts Centre will host the premiere performance of A Fairy Tale of World War II, a new piece for theatre bringing together music, animation, shadow puppetry, simple automata, rhyme, sound effects, and paper collage.

In the heart of blitzed-out London, a starving little girl sees visions that ultimately lead her to Babelsberg Film Studios in Nazi Germany, where a propaganda weapon known as the "Truth Bomb" is being developed in secret. How can she stop them? What does one girl have that the entire Nazi war machine does not?

A fantastical journey through the heart of fairy tales, A Fairy Tale of World War II melds stories from classic fairy tale literature with World War II propaganda – from both sides of the channel. The original score, with inspirations from music box to music hall, whisks the audience back in time and through the looking glass.

Performed by adults and children, A Fairy Tale of World War II reflects on childhood, the horrors of war, death, and magic, playing games with cross-media storytelling as it travels through its dreamlike narrative.

The project was made possible by a grant from PRS for Music Foundation.

The performance at Bridport Arts Centre takes place on Friday, May 8th at 7.30pm. Tickets are £10, £8 and £6, available at www.bridport-arts.com

Tickets on sale this Friday for Rob Beckett's Hour of Funnies

Live at the Apollo and Mock the Week star comes to the Marine Theatre

FOLLOWING the successful launch of the exciting and varied Summer 2015 Season at the Marine Theatre, including performances from music legend Geno Washington, the Reduced Shakespeare Company and Ben Waters, the Marine has announced this week that TV comedian star Rob Beckett will be bringing his latest tour through their doors on Saturday, December 12th. The star of BBC1's Live at the Apollo, BBC2's Mock the Week & Channel 4's 8 out of 10 Cats is back with a brand-new 'hour of funnies' as he addresses audiences on the big issues like Kit Kats and flatbread!

Comedy greats such as Jo Brand, Alan Carr and Shappi Khorsandi have previously performed at the Marine, with tickets selling out within minutes of their release.

Tickets for Rob Beckett will be on sale from this THIS FRIDAY, May 8th and are predicted to sell out with the same record timing.

Tickets for the show on Saturday, December 12th are £14 (£12 concessions), available online at www.marinetheatre.com or by calling Lyme Regis TIC on 01297 442138.

MARINE THEATRE
LYME REGIS
See you in the Stage Door Bar!

Thursday 7th May
THE BUDAPEST CAFE ORCHESTRA
Doors: 7.15pm / Onstage: 8.00pm
Full Price: £14.00 /
Concessions: £12.00
TheatreFriends discount available

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Jaleo Flamenco

A slice of Seville in Dorchester

IN A FUSION of heart-wrenching vocals, explosive footwork and virtuoso guitar playing, Jaleo return to Britain with their latest new stage show 'A Compás', brimming over with the intoxicating rhythms and exuberant energy which has become synonymous with the company.

They will be performing at Dorchester Corn Exchange on Thursday, May 14th to delight audiences as they bring this truly authentic show to Dorset's county town.

'A Compás' (in rhythm) charts an evocative musical journey through the diverse flamenco regions of Andalusia in which some of Spain's finest artists combine their talents in a mesmerising tour de force to produce a unique spectacle of universal appeal which encapsulates the very essence of flamenco.

Formed in 1988 by award winning artists from Seville, Jaleo first toured outside Spain during the autumn of that year. The performances were received with such enthusiasm that plans for another autumn tour the following year was immediately undertaken. Since then they have wowed audiences both in the UK and abroad for many years.

Over recent years their innumerable stage performances, television appearances, radio broadcasts, workshops and recordings have made a considerable contribution to the general understanding and appreciation of this art form.

Jaleo's last trip to Dorset was at The Exchange in Sturminster Newton last summer through Artsreach and received great acclaim.

Dorchester Arts are very excited to welcome the dance company back to Dorset this year; especially as they will be performing in the venue that will become the arts organizations' permanent base a few weeks later.

Jaleo: A Compás comes to Dorchester Corn Exchange on Thursday, May 14th, 8pm. o book call Box Office 01305 266 926 or visit the website at dorchesterarts.org.uk

Stock Gaylard Oak Fair returns with two day event

AFTER a successful two day show last year, the 2015 Oak Fair will once again be held over two days, August 29th and 30th.

This wonderful show makes a superb end of holidays day out for all the family. The children are entertained throughout the day with a variety of activities and workshops in the Kids area and around the show, whilst adults of all ages can enjoy the 200+ stalls and exhibitors showing the depth of rural skills to be found locally. Delicious local food will be available in Market Square to enjoy during the day or take home to cook later.

The Fair welcome,s for the first time, The Big Tree Climbing Company and Mark Farwell with his traction engine powered saw mill.

Dike & Son, Best Independent Retail of the Year 2014, are back as the Fair's main sponsor, along with Mogers Drewitt who are sponsoring the horse logging competition.

Advance tickets can be purchased with 10% discount by calling 01749 813899 or online at www.bradsons.co.uk

For more information visit the website at www.stockgaylard.com

Man and Superman

Ralph Fiennes stars in National Theatre's production of Shaw's witty classic

ACADEMY Award® nominee Ralph Fiennes (The English Patient, Schindler's List; Oedipus at the National Theatre) plays Jack Tanner in this exhilarating reinvention of Shaw's witty, provocative classic, showing at The Electric Palace, Bridport in a National Theatre Live screening on Thursday, May 14th.

A romantic comedy, an epic fairytale, a fiery philosophical debate, Man and Superman asks fundamental questions about how we live.

Ralph Fiennes as Jack Tanner

Jack Tanner, celebrated radical thinker and rich bachelor, seems an unlikely choice as guardian to the alluring heiress, Ann. But she takes it in her assured stride and, despite the love of a poet, she decides to marry and tame this dazzling revolutionary.

Tanner, appalled by the whiff of domesticity, is tipped off by his chauffeur and flees to Spain, where he is captured by bandits and meets The Devil. An extraordinary dream-debate, heaven versus hell, ensues. Following in hot pursuit, Ann is there when Tanner awakes, as fierce in her certainty as he is in his.

Tickets, £10 plus booking fee in advance or £12 on the door, are available through the Electric Palace Box Office (open Tues–Sat, 10am- 4pm), Bridport TIC (open Mon-Sat 9am-5pm) on 01308 424901 or online via Seetickets.com

The screening on Thursday, May 14th starts at 7pm (doors 6pm).

'The world's finest 60s tribute band' to play at The Gateway

THE MODS – referred to by Timeout Magazine as *'The world's finest 60s tribute band'* – play live in Seaton this month.

A wonderful band brought together to play this timeless music as it should be played.

Expect classics from the 60s and early seventies that encapsulate the true essence of Mod music and it's evolution through the late 60s summer of love into the heavier 70s. The Who, Small Faces, The Kinks, Toots and The Maytals, Desmond Dekker, Spencer Davies, Stevie Winwood, The Stones, The Beatles, Booker T and The MGs, Manfred Mann, Yardbirds, The Animals, Led Zeppelin, Jimi Hendrix, Argent, Stevie Wonder, Otis Redding, Willson Pickett, Joe Tex, The Blues Brothers, James Brown, sam and Dave, Arthur Conley, Junior Walker, KC and the Sunshine Band, Wild Cherry, The Showstoppers, Ray Charles, Etta JamesÖ.this list could be endless.

The Mods play live at The Gateway on Saturday, May 23rd, with doors opening at 7.30pm.

Tickets £12.00 advance or £15 on door.

Tickets are available for all the shows from the Box Office on 01297 625699 and from the website ticket shop (www.seatongateway.co.uk). Licensed Bar & Refreshments are available.

Young Vic Theatre
A VIEW FROM THE BRIDGE
Wed 6th May
Doors open 6.30pm
Performance 7.00pm
Tickets:
£12.50 in advance
£15.00 on the door

National Theatre Live
MAN AND SUPERMAN
Wed 20th May
Doors open 6.30pm
Performance 7.00pm
Tickets:
£12.50 in advance
£15.00 on the door

Live Music
THE MODS
"Worlds finest 60s tribute band" - Timeout magazine
Sat 23rd May
Doors open 7.30pm
Tickets:
£12.00 in advance
£15.00 on the door

THE GATEWAY
To a World of Entertainment
BOX OFFICE 10am-4pm (Sat 10am-1pm)
Tel: 01297 625699
www.seatongateway.co.uk

The Mods

The Saffron Trail heads through Lyme Regis

DORSET-BASED Rosanna Ley, the best-selling author of novels including '*The Villa*' and '*Return to Mandalay*', is to release her new novel, '*The Saffron Trail*' on Thursday, May 21st.

Rosanna Ley

Talking of the book, Rosanna commented: "My own 'Saffron Trail' began with my interest in the saffron crocus. I wanted to find out its history, how it is grown, the myths surrounding it and why it is more expensive than gold. I also visited the labrynthine medinas of Morocco which proved symbolic of the tangled human relationships I like to explore!

"*The Saffron Trail* is also set in Lyme Regis and Cornwall. Living in Dorset is hugely important to my writing. I find the landscape inspiring. I like to sit and write in my notebook on West Bay beach whilst walking the cliffs helps me work out tricky plot lines."

The Saffron Trail is published by Quercus, and will be released on May 21st as a paperback, rrp £7.99.

A scorching new play about slavery in nineteenth century Barbados

MUSCOVADO, a scorching new play about slavery in Nineteenth Century Barbados, is making it's way to Bridport Arts Centre on Saturday, May 9th, 7.30pm.

Featuring a heady mix of sexual intrigue, piercing choral music and extreme racial tension it provides an unflinching portrayal of life on a sugar plantation in 1808, accompanied by an original musical score and atmospheric soundscape performed live by the cast.

Having already had a successful run in London during Black History Month BurntOut Theatre's original production by new playwright Matilda Ibini Muscovado will be touring several cities around the uk before being staged in Dorset.

BurntOut Theatre commissioned Muscovado following the discovery of archives from Barbados of Artistic Director Clemmie Reynolds' family, she said of the tour:

"It will be the first time BurntOut Theatre has performed outside of our South East home. And we want to spread this story. The heritage of Brits of Caribbean descent is so rarely explored in theatre or film, and when it is, the story is usually told from the point of view of the white men; ours is a story of the women of this time and place. It's an important and timely story to tell, particularly now when new examples of modern slavery are being unearthed every week."

Tickets are £10, £8, or £6 concessions, from the Arts Centre's Box Office 01308 424204 or via the website at www.bridport-arts.com

La fille mal gardée

Pastoral comedy, dancing chickens, a gloriously funny clog dance, a celebratory maypole dance and plenty of romance

THE Royal Ballet's glorious rural comedy, La Fille mal gardée, choreographed by Frederick Ashton will be screened into Bridport Arts Centre's cinema on Sunday, May 10th, at 2pm.

Conceived by Ashton as "…A life in the country of eternally late spring, a leafy pastorale of perpetual sunshine and the humming of bees", the quintessentially British production is one of The Royal Ballet's most beloved works.

Featuring an abundance of farmyard merriment, chickens, haystacks, and even a Shetland Pony, the pastoral comedy tells the story of Lise, the Widow Simone's wayward daughter in love with Colas, a young farmer, who contrives to outwit her mother's plans for a more advantageous marriage.

First performed in 1960 at the Royal Opera House and inspired by Ashton's love of the Sussex countryside La Fille mal gardée showcases a wealth of delightful and challenging choreography. The virtuoso dancing has colourful injections of folk dancing and music hall traditions, noticeably seen in the famous Widow Simone clog dance and the symbolic ribbon pas de deux.

La Fille mal gardée is the perfect production to welcome the arrival of summer with its sunny rural designs and colourful costumes.

Tickets are £16.50 adults, £15 members, and £12 for concessions.

Whiting to headline Bridport Comedy Cafe

STAND-UP fans will be full of the joys of spring at the Bridport Arts Centre Comedy Café this May.

The popular monthly comedy café night returns for it's May show and regulars are advised to book early to avoid disappointment.

Headlining the show will be comedy circuit veteran, and south west favourite, Geoff Whiting, visitng the club for the first time.

Geoff has been working the world's comedy circuit since the late 1990s, performing across the globe and making numerous TV appearances and is also the man behind Mirth Control who provide the acts for the comedy café nights.

Known for his expert audience work, a skill he learned as a warm up man for Vic Reeves and Bob Mortimer, Geoff specialises in 'that's so true' comic observations.

Geoff was recently the subject of BBC two's Funny Business where he was dubbed "one of Britain's funnies men" by the Radio Times and performed stand up on the London Eye for The One Show.

Opening the show will be award-winning New Zealand comic, Javier Jarquin. Javier is a TV name in the Antipodes and has been climbing the ladder in the UK since moving here in 2010.

Resident MC Tom Glover returns to host the night and completing the line up will be newer acts Jamie Gosney and Sonia Aste.

The May Bridport Arts Centre Comedy Café will be at 8pm on Friday, May 8th.

Tickets are available from the box office on 01308 424204, priced £7 adults/£5 concessions.

MAY at Bridport Arts Centre

Music

GAZ BROOKFIED

Sat 16 May, 8pm

COMEDY CAFE

Fri 8 May, 8pm

Comedy

CLASSIC CONCERTS

RUPERT CHARLESWORTH & EDWIGE HERCHENRODER

Fri 8 May, 11am

POOL OF SOUND STRING QUARTET

Tue 19 May, 7.30pm

JAZZ CAFÉ

THE SOUND OF THE BLUE NOTE

Fri 22 May, 8pm

NAMVULA

Sat 30 May, 8pm

Dance

HAPPINESS

Sat 23 May, 7.30pm

Theatre

MUSCOVADO

Sat 9 May, 7.30pm

THE BEAUX STRATAGEM

Tue 26 May, 7.30pm

CHILDREN'S THEATRE

POP! A MAGICAL COMEDY SHOW

Fri 29 May, 11am

Film

NEW! THE ROYAL OPERA SCREENING

LA FILLE,MAL GARDÉE

Sun 10 May, 2pm

EXHIBITIONS

EXHIBITION ON SCREEN:

THE IMPRESSIONISTS

27 May, 7.30pm

BRIDPORT ARTSCENTRE

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Booking is easy at www.bridport-arts.com Box office 01308 424204

View 2 Diary Dates

WEDNESDAY MAY 6TH

DORCHESTER: Wheelchair Dance Classes for those in wheelchairs or with limited mobility. 7.15pm-8.45pm at The Drama Studio, St Osmund's Community Sports Centre, Barnes Way, DT1 2DZ. £3.50 per person, carers free. For more information please contact Wheel Keep Dancing on 07570 404509 or wheelkeepdancing@hotmail.co.uk

DORCHESTER: Coffee Pop-In Every Wednesday at Dorchester Community Church, Acland Road. Stall selling small items, proceeds to the work of Dorcas Wessex Trust. Open 9.30am-12noon. All welcome.

THURSDAY MAY 7TH

BRIDPORT: Bridport Electronic Organ Club at the United Church Hall, East Street. Organist Chris Powell performs. Concert starts 7.30pm. Admission for members £7, visitors £8. For more details call 01460 73500.

DORCHESTER: The next meeting of the WDHS Retirement Fellowship. Christine Shaw will give a talk entitled "Tiger Hunt". At Boys Brigade Hall, Sawmills Lane (DT1 2RZ), 2.15pm. We shall be booking for our June outing which will be "a three rivers cruise". New members are most welcome.

WEYMOUTH: Broadwey, Upwey & District Horticultural Society. Talk by Peter Read titled "Roses, Pot Plants and Begonias". St Nicholas School, Dorchester Road, Broadwey, Weymouth starting at 7:30pm. Details on 01305 814887.

FRIDAY MAY 8TH

LYME REGIS: Lyme Bay Photographic Club AGM and election of officers. Judging of the Dave King Cup and Lyme 1200 Trophy competitions, End of Season Awards and social evening. 7.30pm-10pm. For more details call 01297 444733

FRIDAY MAY 8TH - WEDNESDAY MAY 20TH

LYME REGIS: Land artist John Calder and painter Elizabeth Fortescue join forces to explore their relationships with the West Dorset landscape around them in a joint exhibition called 'Both Sides of the Hill' at the Malthouse Gallery, The Town Mill, Mill Lane. Daily; 10.30am-4.30pm. Free admission.

SATURDAY MAY 9TH

UPLYME: Uplyme and Lyme Regis Horticultural Society Spring Plant Sale and Coffee morning, from 9:30 - 11:30 am at Uplyme Village Hall. All donations of plants and produce will be gratefully received - this is your chance to buy some unusual as well as common plants of both veg and flowers. Entry is £1 - but bring plenty more to spend! For more information on these and our other future events, visit website ulrhs.wordpress.com or ring 01297 444034.

DORCHESTER: The South Dorset R.S.P.B Group will be holding a Plant Sale in the United Church Hall, South Street, from 10am. Also there will be Books. Bric a brac, Tombola, Cakes and produce and Coffees. Free entrance.

BEAMINSTER: Car Boot Sale at Beaminster School Car Park on Tunnel Road, 11am-2pm. Pitches are £5 each, payable on the day, reserved by calling 01460 279755. Refreshments available.

WEYMOUTH: Broadwey, Upwey & District Horticultural Society Plant Sale. Memorial Hall, Victoria Avenue, Upwey, Weymouth starting at 2pm. Details 01305 814887.

DORCHESTER: Dorchester Community Orchestra presents a Summer Concert conducted by Catherine Oakley, 4pm at Sunninghall Community Hall, Culliford Road. Followed by refreshments. Retiring collection in aid of Somerset and Dorset Air Ambulance.

LODERS: Family History Talk at Loders Village Hall. Jane Ferentzi-Sheppard will talk on 'The Drax Family, from Barbados to Dorset'. A tale of sugar, slavery and vast wealth and how they came to live in Dorset. 2-4.30pm. Members £1.50, visitors £3 (afternoon tea included). For more details call 01935 812347.

SATURDAY MAY 9TH & SUNDAY MAY 10TH

LYME REGIS: The Town Mill celebrates National Mills Weekend with MillFest, open each day from 11am-4pm as well as from 6-9pm on Saturday night. Festivities include The Mill's free tours, its Visitor Centre, art galleries, studios, shops, cafe and pub which will all be open with live music playing in the Courtyard. On Saturday at 2pm, The Mill's new cookbook of recipes using its organic flour will be launched accompanied by nibbles made from the freshly ground flour. Join the vibrant Town Mill community on this festive occasion. For more details, visit www.townmill.org.uk

SUNDAY MAY 10TH

DORCHESTER: Dorchestra, the Dorchester Community Orchestra, is holding a Summer Concert, conducted by Catherine Oakley. Event held at 4pm in Sunninghill Community Hall, Culliford Road. No entry charge and the concert, followed by tea and cakes. Retiring collection for the Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance.

Farmers' market

Bridport Farmers' Market

Saturday 9th May
9am until 1pm
In Bridport Arts Centre

Delicious: Meat Fish Game Bread Veg Cheese Cakes Pies Sauces Coffee Olives Cider Honey and much more...

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Antiques fair

Beaminster Antiques, Collectables and Vintage Fairs

Public Hall, Beaminster
Saturday 16th May
9.30am - 4.00pm

Small furniture, Textiles, China, Glass, Silver, Jewellery, Books, Pictures etc.

Upcoming fair: Saturday 11th July

Home made refreshments
Enquires: Meadow Fairs 01297 24446

Clairvoyant

Realms Apart
but only a thought away...

CLAIRVOYANCE AT THE CHAPEL

Chapel in the Garden, East Street, Bridport

Friday 8th May
Julie Miles

7.30 pm (doors open 7 pm)
Admission £5 (under 16's free)

Health & wellbeing

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Tunnel Road, Beaminster
Dorset, DT8 3EP
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Email: info@bfitleisure.com
Web: www.bfitleisure.com

MONDAY
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4.30-5.15pm **4-11YR OLDS TRAMPOLINING COURSE**
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DORCHESTER: Are you a mum/carer for a young child and would like to meet with others for play and chat? if so, you may like to know that there is a group that meets at Dorchester Community Church, Acland Road, every Monday from 11.30 to 2.15pm. You will find a warm welcome so why not come along? For more details call 01305 265579.

TUESDAY MAY 12TH

UPLYME: Uplyme and Lyme Regis Horticultural Society trip to Hestercombe, near Taunton, leaving at 9:45am. There are three "gardens" on the site, including a Jekyll/Lutyens garden in front of the house which is now partly open to the public. Restaurant/tea room and plant sales complete the experience. The cost is £16 for coach and admission - book with Robin Britton on 01297 442794. For more information on these and our other future events, please see the website, www.ulrhs.wordpress.com/, or ring 01297 444034.

BRIDPORT: Bridport History Society meeting. 'Powerstock: A Dorset Parish Remembers' from Richard Connaughton and friends at 2.30pm in Bridport United Church Main Hall, East Street. All welcome, visitors entry £2.50.

WEDNESDAY MAY 13TH

LYME REGIS: U3A talk: Belmont - (Lyme house that belonged to John Fowles and previously owned by Eleanor Coade) The Work Beneath The Sheeting. 10am coffee, 11am talk by Carole Paton, building surveyor and Stuart Leavy, site manager about the house that has been taken over, renovated and restored by the Landmark Trust. They will reveal the work, the changes and the future of the house. Woodmead Halls. Further information: 07802 751828.

DORCHESTER: Wheelchair Dance Classes for those in wheelchairs or with limited mobility. 7.15pm-8.45pm at The Drama Studio, St Osmund's Community Sports Centre, Barnes Way, DT1 2DZ. £3.50 per person, carers free. For more information please contact Wheel Keep Dancing on 07570 404509 or wheelkeepdancing@hotmail.co.uk

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DORCHESTER: Thursday Group meeting at St George's Hall. Presentation by Margaret Wellspring entitled 'Dorset's Living Memories - the inside story'. Starts 2.15pm. Entry £1 includes tea/coffee, all are welcome. For more details call 01305 259755.

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SPACIOUS DETACHED BUNGALOW WITH VIEWS SITUATED IN A VILLAGE LOCATION

Storm Porch – Hall – Sitting Room – Conservatory – Dining Room – Kitchen/Breakfast Room
Utility – Cloakroom – Master Bedroom with En-Suite – Two Further Bedrooms – Family Bathroom
Enclosed Rear & Side Garden – Garage – Driveway – Countryside Views

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END OF TERRACE HOUSE

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Three Bedrooms – Bathroom
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TOP FLOOR APARTMENT WITH GARAGE

Entrance Hall – Sitting/Dining Room with Vaulted Ceiling
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Parking – ER:B

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DETACHED FAMILY HOME

Living Room – Garden Room – Kitchen/Dining Room
Master Bedroom with En-Suite – Four Further Double Bedrooms – Driveway – Garage – Potential to Purchase Additional Land Under Separate Negotiation – ER: D

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DETACHED COTTAGE WITH NO ONWARD CHAIN

Double-Aspect Sitting Room with Fireplace – Open-Plan Kitchen and Dining Room – Rear Lobby – GF Cloakroom
Three Bedrooms – Bathroom – Garage
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BEAMINSTER £650 PCM

WELL PRESENTED SEMI-DETAHCED HOUSE

Lobby – Open-Plan Sitting/Dining Room – Kitchen
Two Double Bedrooms – Bathroom – Enclosed Low Maintenance Rear Garden – Summer House/Studio
GFCH – UPVC Windows – UF

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POUNDBURY £725 PCM

UNIQUE APARTMENT IN CENTRAL LOCATION

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Two Double Bedrooms – Bathroom – ER: C

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PERIOD THATCHED COTTAGE

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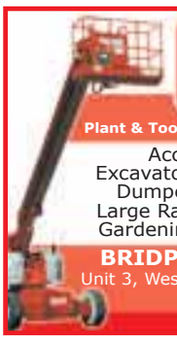

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Volvo XC90 T8 Twin Engine in a Class Of Its Own

▲ The new Volvo XC90 T8 Twin Engine petrol plug in hybrid

THE XC90 T8 Twin Engine has exceeded all expectations when it comes to the no compromise equation of power and low fuel consumption, coupled with world class low emissions – and all in a 7-seat luxury SUV.

The improvement over the earlier announced figures were achieved thanks to the continuous innovation cycle at the Swedish company. The result of further tuning is a drop of 10 g/km from the initial prognosis, for up to 134.5mpg fuel economy, while also adding horsepower. This makes the XC90 T8 Twin Engine the clear leader in its segment, with an exceptional combination of low fuel consumption, emissions and pure power.

"We have been working hard to earn our competitive edge and to give our customers the ultimate combination of performance and low fuel consumption. Our Twin Engine technology has enabled us to build on our heritage of efficient powertrain development in a completely new way. Thanks to our new scalable product architecture, and our world class four-cylinder engines, we have a clear and leading position," said Dr Peter Mertens, Senior Vice President Research & Development at Volvo Car Group.

No other SUV in this class can deliver 26 miles of pure electric range, 0-62mph in 5.6 seconds and provide combined power of 407 hp – all in a 7 seat configuration.

The XC90 T8 Twin Engine will be available later this spring in Volvo showrooms.

A driving mode for every need

The XC90 T8 Twin Engine can go from 0 to 62mph in 5.6 seconds, delivering all the driving pleasure customers have come to expect from a Volvo SUV. But driving pleasure is only a fraction of what the XC90 T8 offers: the car has five different driving modes that deliver a range of performance and efficiency-enhancing characteristics. Using either a scroll wheel on the centre console or a touchscreen on the dashboard, drivers can choose from:

Hybrid: This is the default mode, suitable for everyday use. Here, the vehicle will automatically alternate between drawing power from the 2-litre, 4-cylinder Drive-E engine and the electric motor to deliver the best overall fuel consumption.

Pure electric: In this mode, when the high-voltage battery is fully charged, it serves as the car's sole energy source, powering the electric motor over the rear axle. The XC90 T8 has a range of up to 26 miles using just electricity, which covers the total distance many people drive in one day. And thanks to the regenerative braking system, this mode is super-efficient in the stop-and-go traffic of city environments. If more power is needed, the Drive-E combustion engine starts up automatically.

Power mode: Here, drivers get the combined performance of the combustion engine and the electric motor. On start-up, the SUV takes advantage of the electric motor's superior response and instant torque curve, while the combustion engine gets up to speed. This combination offers better torque at lower revs, equivalent to that of a large displacement engine like the V8.

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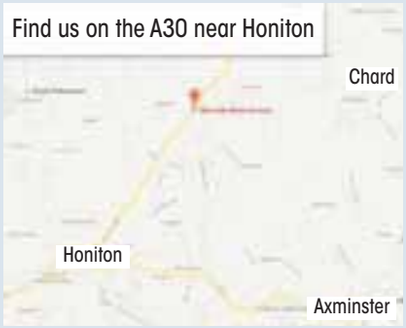

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Two In Three Motorists Do Not Know How To Check For A Faulty Exhaust System

NEW research from Kwik Fit1, the UK's leading car servicing and repair company, highlights that two in three motorists (65 per cent) have no idea how to check for a faulty exhaust system – only eight per cent say they know exactly how, while 27% claim to have a rough idea.

This lack of knowledge leads to some drivers guessing what to do in case of a problem, with some off the wall suggestions including checking whether the fumes make them cough and turning the engine off when driving at motorway speeds.

With almost four in ten (39%) UK adults having experienced exhaust problems, it is concerning that many drivers are unaware of what to check for. It is vital that problems are rectified quickly as not only can they reduce fuel efficiency and power, but also lead to engine emissions leaking into the vehicle. As this could include carbon monoxide (CO), the impact on safety is considerable.

As well as vehicle damage and potential health impacts, there are the financial costs to consider. Noticing an exhaust issue early could save motorists hundreds of pounds in fuel and repair costs.

Although it is important to check any problems, Kwik Fit's research reveals that some people have alarming ideas of how they should go about this. Their suggested approaches included: breathing in some of the emissions to test whether they make them cough (1%); turning their engine off when driving on the motorway to see whether any unusual noises stopped (2%); driving over a high kerb to listen out for noises (2%); and putting a bag over the end of the exhaust (2%).

In reality, if an exhaust system goes wrong it is often due to silencer corrosion, which normally results in an unusual roaring noise on start up. Only a third of motorists (37 per cent) would investigate this noise if they thought there was something wrong with their vehicles exhaust system. While two in five (41 per cent) motorists would investigate a rattling noise normally due to exhaust system misalignment, only one in five (21 per cent) would check for a hissing noise which could signify a crack in the exhaust manifold or pipe – which could lead to dangerously toxic CO leaking into the vehicle.

Roger Griggs, communications director at Kwik Fit, said: "An exhaust system has a number of important functions. It controls noise, improves the performance of the engine and reduces fuel consumption. Perhaps most importantly it is also a key component in reducing emissions. Failure of this system could therefore not only lead to financial costs but also health risks.

"Despite this, our research highlights that a majority of drivers are unaware of how to check for exhaust system faults. It may be due to a lack of knowledge or the fact that the exhaust is largely out of sight and so is out of mind. We would certainly advise that motorists do not check for problems by deliberately inhaling their exhaust fumes - any driver who has a concern over their exhaust, or just has a query about how it works, can call into any Kwik Fit to have it checked out by our experts."

To avoid unnecessary damage Kwik Fit recommends that motorists who suspect that their exhaust system is failing or faulty, should visit their local vehicle repair centre for an exhaust check. Kwik Fit offers a FREE no appointment necessary exhaust check at more than 600 centres across the UK.

For the latest news and updates from Kwik Fit, customers can follow the company on Twitter at @kwik_fit.

Audi Brings New Meaning To 'Home Delivery' Helped By DHL And Amazon

- *Development partnership for innovative logistics service*
- *Parcel deliveries to the boot using keyless access technologies*
- *Pilot project to start in May*

USING keyless access technology innovative 'Audi connect easy delivery' service enables parcel deliveries to be made directly to the boot of a car

Audi wants to put an end to the package tour – in a bid to eradicate the age-old problem of parcels being returned to the depot, left with a neighbour or earmarked for re-delivery when a designated recipient is out, the Vorsprung durch Technik brand has worked with its partners DHL Parcel and Amazon Prime to develop a system that enables delivery direct to the boot of a customer's Audi.

'Audi connect easy delivery', a pilot project starting in May, will allow participants to use the service for the first time. Audi connecteasy delivery will operate through temporary authorisation for keyless access to the car's luggage compartment.

"With comprehensive connectivity, we are transforming the car into a service device and integrating it even more closely into the everyday lives ofour customers," says Luca de Meo, Member of the Board of Management for Sales at AUDI AG. "Audi connect easy delivery helps save time and offers more convenience and flexibility – advantages that are increasingly important for the target group of a premium brand."

In the future, the new service is to provide customers with the option ofentering their Audi as the shipping address for online orders. DHL Parcel is providing the dispatching service in the pilot project. Development partner Amazon is the firstonline retailer to offercustomers delivery directly to their car's boot.

Prof.Dr. Ulrich Hackenberg, Member of the Board of Management for Technical Development at AUDI AG, emphasisesthe high security standards of the development project: "As with all ofour connect services, the security ofthe car and ofcustomer data has top priority for Audi. For us, Vorsprung durch Technik also means Audi customers should be able to use these kinds ofinnovative services with peace of mind and therefore enjoy true added value."

If the Audi owner agrees to the tracking of their automobile for the specific delivery time frame, the DHL driver handling the parcel receives a digital access code for the boot of the customer's vehicle. It can be used one time only for a specificperiod of time and expires as soon as the luggage compartment has been closed again. Similarly, Audi connect easy delivery customers will also be able to send letters and parcels from their own car in the future.

With this logistics service, customers will enjoy even more flexibility in controlling the delivery of their orders. In addition to this extra convenience, the service promotes efficiencyas it avoids unsuccessful attempts to hand over goods tocustomers at the specified address and therefore reduces the amount of traffic on the roads.

AUDI AG will test Audi connect easy delivery together with DHL Parcel and Amazon under real conditions in a pilot project which is to start in May in Munich, Germany.

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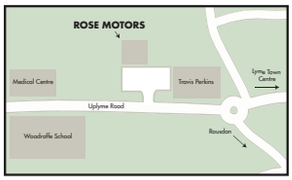

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Sailing

Barker claims national Spitfire title

OVER 360 sailors headed to Weymouth & Portland National Sailing Academy to compete in the annual RYA Youth National Championships last month.

The light wind conditions put sailors through their paces; ten successfully rose to the challenge and were crowned the new champions. Others enjoyed the first racing of the season and the opportunity to be selected to compete on an international stage.

420

THE girls dominated the 420 class, claiming all event podium spots with just a point separating each of them.

It all came down to the last race with any of three pairings having the opportunity to take the girls' title, but it was Jenny Smallwood (Datchet Water SC) & Danielle Thomas (Royal Lymington YC) who took the 420 Girls Youth National Champions title.

Last year's champions Sarah Norbury (South Staffordshire SC) & Mari Davies (Pwllheli SC) claimed the runner-up spot, with Katie Davies (Itchenor) & Grace Summers (Emsworth) completing the podium in third.

An up and down week for Max Clapp (Royal Southern) and Ross Banham (Bewl Valley SC) put them out of contention for the overall podium, however they were crowned 420 Open Youth National Champions.

Daniel Atherton (Gurnard SC) & Matthew Viney (Cardiff Bay YC) put together a consistent set of scores over the week, but not enough to beat the girls or Clapp & Banham, losing out at the last hurdle, whilst the King brothers, Robbie & Alex (Warsash SC), finished third.

Laser Radial

KARYNA Manuel (Grafham Water) was untouchable in the Laser Radial girls' fleet, leading from the start, and finished the event off with a second to be crowned the champion.

Ellie Brown finished eight points behind in second, with Hanna Brown third, a further eight points away.

In the Laser Radial boys' fleet, Jack Cookson (Castle Cove SC) and Daniel Whiteley (Pwllheli SC) battled it out all week.

Although Whiteley had a stunning last day with two firsts and a second, it was not quite enough to overcome Cookson's consistency who won the title by two points. Matt Whitfield rounded off the medals in third.

29ers

AFTER a slightly shaky qualifying series, the 29er fleet couldn't catch Dan Venables (Sutton) and Patrick Keech (Sutton) as they extended their lead with each day of racing.

The pair finished almost 30 points ahead of Ollie Aldridge (Parkstone YC) and Nathaniel Gordon (Parkstone YC) in second.

Mimi El-Khazindar (Royal Lymington YC) and Emma Loveridge (Royal Lymington YC) trailed behind Anna Prescott (HISC) and Eve Townsend (Emsworth/HISC) all week but managed to overtake their rivals in the final race to become 29er Girls Youth National Champions.

Spitfire

LOCAL sailor Sam Barker (Castle Cove SC) and Victoria Akhurst (Netley SC) reigned supreme in the Spitfire class, winning all but one race to round of the week as the Spitfire Youth National Champions.

RS:X

THE Wilson siblings, Daniel and Emma from Christchurch, topped the 2015 RS:X leader board, upgrading their 2014 silver medals to gold.

Although racing for separate Championship titles they both wanted to win the overall event and Daniel was, at points, keeping a close eye on his sister: Both were inevitably very happy to win their respective Youth National Champion titles, but the sibling rivalry continues.

Laser

LONG term rivals Henry Wetherell (Beaver SC) and Michael Beckett (Solva) picked up all but one race win between them in the Laser Standard.

The training partners both finished well ahead of third place sailor Anthony Parke.

The advantage this time went to Wetherell, who had the most consistent week finishing no lower than third in any race of the series.

Viv Nanopoulou, RYA Youth Nationals Manager, commented: "It has been a really fantastic event despite some tricky conditions at times.

It was great to see such enthusiasm on the water from both those taking home medals and those racing at the Youth Nationals for the first time."

The 2016 RYA Youth National Championships will be held from 2-8 April 2016 at Plas Heli, Wales.

◆ The RYA also selected 28 sailors to represent Great Britain at the EUROSAF Youth **European Championships** to be held in Brest, France between July 27th and August 2nd.

They are: 420 boys: Daniel Atherton (Gurnard SC) and Matthew Viney (Cardiff Bay YC) / Robbie and Alex King (Warsash / Royal Lymington YC)

420 girls: Jenny Cropley (Royal Lymington YC) and Emma Baker (Weir Wood SC) / Jemma Viney and Tilly Matthews (Cardiff Bay YC)

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Laser Radial boys: Jack Cookson (Castle Cove SC) / Daniel Whiteley (Pwllheli SC)

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RS:X girls: Emma Wilson (OTC) / Emily Hall (NCSC)

Spitfire: Eddie Bridle and James King (Brightlingsea SC) / Jack Butters and Sam James (Parkstone YC).

◆ **SPITFIRE CHAMPS: Local sailor Sam Barker of Castle Cove SC and Victoria Akhurst (Netley SC) reigned supreme to win the title.** ***Photo © Paul Wyeth/RYA***

Rugby

Twin Counties turn form book upside down

Middlesex 5 Dorset & Wilts 50

DORSET & WILTS produced an emphatic victory against a team who were predicted to be the Combined Counties hardest contest in the pool matches of the RFU County Shield *writes Idris Martin*.

Although the 4G surface was a new experience for most of the Dorset & Wilts squad, they adapted to the playing conditions well, and raced into a second minute lead courtesy of a try from Swanage & Wareham wing Charlie Rowberry.

Rowberry's club team mate centre, Matt Roberts was next to touchdown for the visitors followed by Sherborne centre Tom Lane.

Veteran Salisbury lock forward Liam Gilbert, who was voted Dorset & Wilts Man-of-the-Match, led the young forwards by example in the Twin Counties pack and it was recognition of this display when he drove across the Middlesex line to ground the ball for the visitors' fourth try.

Salisbury scrum-half Dave Tongue extended the lead with another try for the visitors, before Rowberry grabbed a second touchdown to end the first half.

With skipper and Royal Wootton Bassett flanker Dave Hogg landing three conversions, the Twin Counties led 36-5 at the break.

Early in the second-half Middlesex rallied, but committed defence ensured that the visitors' line was not compromised.

Rowberry then completed his hat trick, and Salisbury centre Rob Larcombe crossing at the death, it completed a rewarding afternoon's effort for the Twin Counties young squad.

This result should boost the squad's morale for next Saturday's pool game against Essex at Trowbridge rugby club.

Dorset Football League: Cup final spots decided

Senior League

CHICKERELL United took runners-up on goal difference from The Balti House with a 2-1 victory over Dorchester Sports with Josh Why scoring both goals.

Division Three League Cup

TISBURY and Wool & Winfrith will meet in the final of the Division Three League Cup at Sturminster Newton on Saturday after semi-finals victories.

Tisbury won 5-1 at Sturminster Newton United whilst Wool & Winfrith beat Maiden Newton & Cattistock 3-1.

Division Four & Five League Cup

PORTLAND United Youth will contest the final of the Division Four & Five League Cup after a 2-0 win at Corfe Mullen United Reserves.

They will face Fleetline in the final this Saturday at Portland United FC (3pm ko) after the Weymouth side beat South Cheriton United Reserves 5-1 with two goals apiece for Daniel Andrews and Danny Hill and one from Callum Bigg.

Charminster golf

Brindsley continues good form

FOR the second month running, Nigel Brinsley won a medal competition at Charminster Golf Club.

This time it was the Division 1 Wednesday event where his 85/16/69 was best, beating Peter Churchill who took second place with the lowest gross score of 83/13/70 by one shot. Nigel Barter was third with 90/19/71.

In Division 2, there were some new names in the top three, with Ian Pinnington taking first place with 91/25/66.

His was the lowest gross score in the division and resulted in a one shot handicap reduction.

Duncan Green claimed second place with 98/28/70 and Andy Davies was third with 94/23/71.

Jules Walker won the the Sunday medal with his lowest gross round of 74/10/64.

John Trott took second place in scoring 90/22/68, ahead of Roger Kellaway with 84/16/68 in third.

Maintaining his early season form, Brinsley also won the Sunday stableford.

His 38 points from a 16 handicap just pipped Mark Boggust with 37/11 for second, with Nigel Barter again having to settle for third with 35/19.

◆ **NEW CAPTAINS: Adrian Short (right) who was appointed Club Captain and Graham Swingewood the Seniors Captain at the recent AGM, pictured after the seniors match against Wheathill.**

However, Barter finally achieved a first place as part of the winning team in the Texas scramble, the second Wednesday event, where along with Peter Churchill and Brian Frampton they scored a nett 64 for the round.

In the first of the Three Counties League matches, Charminster lost 5-0 away to FOLKE, although some games were very close.

The seniors inter club matches also began in April.

Away to FROME the match was halved 3-3, before Charminster beat KINGWESTON away by 3½ - 2½.

The most recent match at home to Wheathill ended in another win 4½ - 1½.

Lyme Skittles

MENS DIV ONE	P	Pts	BL
Marksmen	16	22	23
No Hopers	16	22	17
Anthill Mob	16	19	18
Young Guns	16	17	14
Skippy's Six	16	16	16
Tornadoes	15	14	14
Clueless	16	13	9
Roadrunners	15	10	12
Flyers	16	9	13

MENS DIV TWO	P	Pts	BL
Rousdon Rebels	15	20	23
Wreckers	16	20	22
President's Men	16	20	20
Trappers	16	20	7
Miscellaneous	16	18	21
Alleytwits	16	16	10
Skittle Me Timbers	15	12	9
Shakers	13	8	10
British Legion	15	2	12

Results to be added;
Roadrunners v Tornados (24/04/15), Rousdon Rebels v Shakeers (24/04/15), British Legion v Shakers (08/04/15), Skittle Me Timbers v Shakers (04/03/15) - game to be rearranged by committee.

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Curtis Nomination Cup Final
The Pilot Boat
Wreckers v Trappers.
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George Nomination
The George
Roadrunners v Marksmen.
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Skittle Me Timbers v Shakers.

Friday, May 8th
Division One
George Nomination
The George
Flyers or Young Guns v Skippys Six or No Hopers.

Monday, May 11th
Wootton Club
Dave Smith Mixed Pairs Final.

Friday, May 15th
Palmers Cup
Roadrunners v No Hopers (at Wootton Club)
Anthill Mob v Marksmen (at The Pilot Boat).

Monday, May 18th
Ladies Pairs
Ship Inn; (J.West) - R Parsons & E Bearpark, K Quick & S Churchill, J White & L Taylor, J West & D Rickard, J Cattell & R Wason, K Aldworth & S Yeatman, M Pratt & V Whatmore.
The George; (E.Blackmore) - I Sieiv & P Williams, T Chapman & D Chapman, A Rattenbury & J Aldridge, J Wyatt & A Gillings, D Turner & A Rice, J Moffitt & H Dowling, E Blackmore & T Banfield.

Thursday, May 21st
Ladies George Nomination Cup Final
The George; Smashers v Wootton Wobblers.

Friday, May 22nd
Men's
Bob Sweetland Cup
Venues TBA; Flyers or Tornadoes v Wreckers or No Hopers, Young Guns or Anthill Mob v Skippys Six or Marksmen.

A view from Third Man - The Dorset cricket scene

WITH STUART BROOM

Herbert and Banfield star with the willow

Dorset Funeral Plan League Premier Division

Dorchester 87-9 lost to Swanage 308-5 by 143 runs (reduced target 230)

DORCHESTER already missing several senior players did not help themselves with poor bowling and fielding, before the expected rain that came at teatime made their job harder.

The county town started well with James Dunham (3-55) trapping Ben Baczala (8) leg before and Dan Belt removing Ian Booth (2) to leave them 36-2, but a third wicket stand of 134 between Mike Salmon (113) and Jem Warner (87) took the game away from them, and with 55 from Ricky King, Swanage racked up 308-5 in their allotted overs. Only Younis Khan (1-26) from his ten overs gave the visitors any trouble.

Rain at tea meant Dorchester's lost 20 overs and their target was reduced to 230 from 30 overs.

None of the home batsmen got going with only four getting into double figures. Dan Morris top scored with 19 and there was a dogged 18 from new captain Simon Mitchem, but Booth (2-15) and Ryan Norman (3-16) had softened up Dorchester before Warner 4-5 in six overs left Dorchester well beaten on 87-9 at the finish.

Mitchem said: "Everything that could go wrong did. We gave away at least 80 runs in the field with poor bowling and fielding; they batted well but we made it easier for them.

Younis Khan was the exception. He bowled extremely well but we didn't back him up very well.

"Losing the overs at tea made the target a massive ask and when further rain came 18 overs in; much heavier than before; I felt the umpires should have abandoned it then and was disappointed when they decided to continue. It was very frustrating.

"We worked hard and never gave up, but the lack of experience and lack of depth showed."

Broadstone 228 all out lost to Martinstown 286 all out by 58 runs

ED Nichols was delighted with his side's victory at Broadstone, but is aware that there are areas they need to tighten up to ensure their stay in the top flight.

"This was a good barometer for us, and if we continue in this vein it bodes well for the future, but we could do better and will be working on that during nets this week."

Batting first they lost Lee House with only eight on the board, but Nichols and Liam Banfield added 130 for the second wicket with an aggressive Banfield hitting 75 from just 62 balls.

The skipper was then joined by Dave Herbert and they added another fifty before Nichols was dismissed for 55.

Herbert farmed the bowling and with the help of the lower order helped Martinstown to 286 all out, with the former Bridport batsman top scoring with a splendid 90.

The visitors struggled in the field early on and a couple of dropped catches enabled Broadstone to reach 85-0, but the introduction of the spinners turned the game their way. Ryan Chase (3-42) took two quick wickets before newcomer Tom Nicholls won them the game.

The slow left arm former Blandford player took 5-42 in his nine overs including a stunning caught and bowled just before drinks that stopped any thoughts Broadstone had of victory, to give Martinstown their first win.

Captain Nichols said: "Dave Herbert played a very sensible inning to guide the tail end through to a good score, whilst Tom Nicholls bowled superbly.

"However we didn't catch very well and other sides I think will try to pressurise us more which we need to be able to respond and not let them."

Sherborne 73-1 beat Weymouth 69 all out by 9 wickets

WEYMOUTH were soundly beaten at Sherborne where only captain Kieron Womble was able to offer any resistance with 35 of Weymouth's total of 69 all out. They got off to the worst possible start with Michael Irrgang trapped lbw off the first ball of the innings.

Sherborne with Luke Hancock (30no) and Kyle Hopper (16no) reached their target in just 12.4 overs.

Teenager Luke Lovett (1-16) was the only bowler to claim a wicket, that of John Dickson (22).

Womble said: "There are no excuses, it wasn't a bad wicket; we didn't do ourselves justice."

County Division Two

Christchurch 171-5 beat Cattistock 170-8 by 5 wickets

THE two innings were almost mirror images of each other as Cattistock, including new signings Liam Toohill and Jack Walklett, went down by five wickets.

Batting first Cattistock found themselves 29-4 after nine overs with the top four batsmen back in the pavilion having made just 22 between them.

However, a fifth wicket stand of 107 between Martin Langford (46) and Jack Walklett (48) recovered the situation.

Following Langford's dismissal, Walklett hung on, occupying the crease for 2 hours 17 minutes, finally hitting out at the end and scoring 32 off his last 18 balls faced, as the innings closed on 170-8.

Christchurch found themselves in an identical situation at 31-4 off nine overs.

They had to than a fifth wicket partnership of 140 between Ben Rayner who was dismissed with the scores level for 73, and Tom Hughes (42 not out).

Cattistock despite using eight bowlers could not stop the hosts squeezing home with Langford 3-38 the most successful.

Portland Red Triangle 237-5 beat Cranborne 91 all out by 146 runs

County Division Three

Beaminster 154-4 beat Wareham 153 all out by 6 wickets

BEAMINSTER opened their season with a good win against a Wareham side that was promoted last season.

Beaminster won the toss and inserted their hosts whose openers Axon and Roff gave them a solid start.

Axon was particularly aggressive and with the Beaminster fielders failing to adapt to the conditions; shelling numerous catches and missing run out opportunities; they put on 73 for the first wicket, and it wasn't until Will Everitt was introduced into the attack that the hosts' fortunes changed.

Swinging the ball late and bowling with good pace Everitt removed Roff (14) Swain (8) helped Axon to add 44 for the second wicket, but from them on wickets began to fall at a regular rate with Everitt finishing with a superb 5-19 from his nine overs, bowling four and trapping the fifth leg before wicket.

With Adam Herring claiming the valuable wicket of the experienced Martin Upshall (14) and Ross Baker (3-25) returning to the attack to mop up the tail, ten man Wareham were dismissed for 153 all out.

At tea, mist and drizzle descended on the Memorial ground and conditions were poor for cricket as the ball became wet and the outfield was slow.

Wareham's opening bowlers caused problems as movement was found off of the wicket, and Upshall (3-35) reduced Beaminster to 36-3, before Hugh Rathbone joined opener Richie Runyard in a match winning stand of 98 before Runyard was dismissed for a very patient 45.

It was left to Rathbone (40 not out) and Everitt with a quickfire unbeaten 15 to see them home inside 29 overs.

Baker said: "Will (Everitt) has been showing good form in the nets, and he was really sharp with a lot of movement, and kept the pressure on them.

Ritchie also kept the pressure on Wareham when batting, with some good running between the wickets, and Hugh supported him well, going for his shots.

"There's a lot of confidence in the team at the moment having won the last four of last season, and now making it five."

They battled hard against the conditions before playing their shots.

Man of the match Will Everitt finished the game in style hitting a maximum and a boundary to give Beaminster a comfortable victory.

Before the game members of both teams remembered former player and committee man Brian Page who died last month, with a minutes applause.

Poole Town 3rd 226 all out lost to Dorchester 2nd 228-4 by 6 wickets

CAPTAIN Stuart Beasley took a gamble by choosing to bat knowing his side could set a decent score.

Josh Foot and Simon Joslin(14) got them off to a decent start, before Joslin was bowled. Ben Macklain and Foot both set about pushing the score along before the opener was out to a great catch.

Macklain just completed his half century before he and Mike Peak. However Beasley (36no) and Matt Porter (37no) picked up the score to set their hosts what appeared a challenging target.

Peak struck first in the opening over, but Ed Farrar, on debut for Poole, was to make to make a name for himself, and although Dorchester took wickets regularly, with the lack of bowling options, new player Vijay and Porter bowled the remaining overs.

Needing just 12 to win from the final two over's, Vijay struck removing Farrar for 112 and two others leaving six required off the final over which saw Porter strike with two required for victory.

Beasley said: "This was a fantastic win for the team and a great boost in confidence for all."

Weymouth 2nd 227-3 beat Wimborne & Colehill 3rd 70 all out by 157 runs

WEYMOUTH, under new captain Tom Steadman, got their season off to a winning start with a convincing victory over Wimborne & Colehill 3rds.

COUNTY DIVISION FOUR

Bridport v Pimperne – match cancelled

WITH the groundsman reporting that the wicket was already wet and slippery and with heavy rain forecast for the afternoon, this match was cancelled by mutual agreement of both sides in the morning.

County Division Five

Charlton Down 21-1 drew with Blandford 2nd 140 all out (match abandoned)

CHARLTON Down opening game of the Saturday League season ended in a disappointing abandoned game due to persistent drizzle, which made conditions slippery.

Charlton Down won the toss and put their visitors into bat knowing that the predicted rain would arrive sometime during the afternoon, whilst Blanford also aware of the weather, were keen to get as many bonus points as quickly as possible.

After 10 overs they had raced to 51 for the loss of Andy Sullivan (6) who was bowled by Matt Stevens (1-29), but Robbins (32) and Barnes(42) were looking ominous.

But with their partnership of 76 and the score on 91-1 after 20 overs the introduction of spin from Sam Roles (4-26) and controlled pace from Kim Park (1-26) was the breakthrough Charlton Down had been looking for.

Roles struck four times to see Blandford batting collaspe from 91-1 to 118-5, including a sharp catch behind the wicket by Cameran Lucas, whilst Park who had bowled with great control but little luck, then removed the experienced Peter Field (16) with another good catch by Lucas with the score on 128-6.

Jae Miller (1-7) then took a wicket with his second ball and captain Tommy Tucker (3-2) mopped up the tailenders including two wickets with his first two balls of the season, but failed in his hat trick attempt; the final wicket courtesy of a brilliant diving catch at gully by Jack Eveleigh.

At that point Blandford had then lost their last 9 wickets for just 49 runs to end with 140.

Charlton Down went out to bat but drizzly rain which continued until the outfield and wicket became slippery.

The umpires rightly decided the conditions were becoming dangerous and the game was finally abandoned with Charlton Down on 21-1 after only seven overs from former premiership bowlers Andy Day and Kevin Abbott who were bowling very tight lines for Blandford.

Tucker said" It was very disappointing that we could not complete the match when we were in such a strong position needing only 120 runs from 33 overs.

"However, after the predicted weather forecasts we were lucky to play as much as we did.

"As a captain it was great to see how my players reacted to competing against a team who had played in Division 3 last year and had only been relegated due to a point deduction.

"Matt Stevens produced a super opening spell and was unlucky not to pick up more wickets, and it was not only a great display of spin bowling from Sam Roles, but controlled bowling from all our bowlers and some brilliant fielding which enabled us to bowl a very good team out."

Martinstown 2nd 190-6 lost to Puddletown 192-5 by 5 wickets

FORMER Dorchester player Steve Gerrity opened his account for Martinstown with a fine 72, but it wasn't enough to stop Puddletown winning by five wickets. Ollie Gargrave scored also contributed 45 in their total of 190-6.

Although five overs were lost to the weather making bowling conditions difficult Martinstown did well in the circumstances, with young Jamie Stewart making his first senior appearance for the club the pick of the bowlers with two wickets.

Chalke Valley 72-1 beat Portland Red Triangle 2nd 71 all out by 9 wickets

County Division Six

Blandford 3rd 189-9 beat Beaminster 2nd 98 all out by 91 runs

BEAMINSTER looked to be in with a chance with hosts Blandford 3rds 89-5, but a quick unbeaten half century from M Tuck saw them reach a reasonable target despite a superb spell of bowling from Pete Bustin who took 4-6 in eight overs.

Unfortunately, only Daniel Spiller with a gritty 27 could muster too many in Beaminster's reply.

Sunday Division Three

Symene forfeited their first game of the season at Ellingham.

Top batting performances

Dave Herbert (Martinstown) 90;
Liam Banfield (Martinstown) 75;
Ed Nichols (Martinstown (55);
Ben Macklain (Dorchester 2nd) 50.

Top bowling performances

Will Everitt (Beaminster) 5-19;
Tom Nicholls (Martinstown (5-42);
Pete Bustin (Beaminster 2nd) 4-6.

Lyme Bowls

Debut win in new league

IT'S been a busy week with four league games and three friendlies *writes Paul Moffitt*.

In the mens' West Dorset League Division One it all kicked off with the two Lyme teams playing each other. Lyme 1 managed to snaffle nine of the ten points on offer.

After last week's encouraging start, the ladies came up short away to Poole Park with just two points.

With Lyme men's 3rd team now playing in the South Dorset League, a new venture for the Club, they made an encouraging start against Bridport winning 8 points to 2.

In the friendlies we managed to win three of the four games but, losing to Merriott on all four rinks.

The "Open Day" was all-but washed out, with just a few hardy souls turning up on the day.

Anyone who is still interested in learning the game, please come along on a Wednesday evening, from 6pm, when we will be delighted to see you.

Results:
West Dorset Men Div1:
Lyme Regis 2 (1pt)
Lyme Regis 1 (9pts)

South Dorset Men
Lyme Regis 3, 59
Bridport C 49.
D Read, B Smith, A Weech, R Hobbs 21-18; M Heneghan, M Knight, R Legg, T Allman 16-20; B Downes, T Payne, N Solomon, E Skeemer 22-11.

Dorset Ladies Division 1:
Lyme Regis 2pts
Poole Park 8pts

Friendlies
Lyme 110
Sele Farm Tour 89
A Rattenbury, J Hare, A Allman, D Wood 19-18; J Barnish, B Parsons, E Skeemer, A Preece 18-25; P Ward, B Downes, D Courtenay-Smith, P Moffitt 15-18; S Wood, M Heneghan, N Solomon, Chas Barber 25-13; J Parsons, J Moffitt, J Beadsley, Chris Barber 32-15.

Lyme 67 Merriott 98
J Barnish, B Collinson, J Owen, R Legg 17-21; D Read, M Heneghan, M Knight, E Skeemer 16-22; B Smith, P Knight, T Allman, D Wood 26-32; S Wood, T Payne, B Parsons, A Preece 8-23.

Lyme 71 Severalls 65
K Faragher, M Gillett, P Weech, A Preece 11-14; F Sell, A Rattenbury, D Wood, A Weech 18-25; S Wood, P Stephens, J Parsons, B Rattenbury 20-19; A Foster, H Dowling, B Parsons, A Allman 22-7.

Lyme 80 Sidmouth 59
R Tallent, P Stephens, Chris Barber 17-8; S Dowling, J Moffitt, E Skeemer 12-6; P Knight, N Solomon, A Weech 15-16; T Payne, P Weech, P Moffitt 15-5; M Gillett, J Beadsley, Chas Barber 12-10; B Smith, H Dowling, N Stephens 9-14.

Bridport Skittles

CUP fixtures for week beginning Monday, May 11th.

Monday, May 11th

Portman Cup Final

Bridport FC — Brandy Snaps (24/29) or Pioneers (0/0) v Whisky Chasers (0/7) or Bulldogs (0/2).

Knock-Out Cup Final

Lord Nelson — Broadoak v Shipfaced or Rough Eight.

Tuesday, May 12th

Mens Individual Nomination Final

Ilchester —I Pincombe; M Hooper; S Pitcher; D Cooper; M Horton; H Mills; N Lee; R Pincombe.

Wednesday 13th May

Mixed Pairs Final - *Loders Arms*.

◆ **Presentation Night**

Friday 15th May at Freshwater – tickets on sale from the *Lord Nelson* priced at £4 or £6 on the door on the night.

Division A	Pld	Pts
Wanderers	22	39
Shipfaced	21	34
Masters	22	30
Rejects	22	28
Rockets	22	24
Rough Eight	22	24
Lively Lads	22	20
Outsiders	21	18
Slingers	22	14
Denhay	22	13
Broadoak	22	11
The Dingles	22	7

Division B	Pld	Pts
Nelson Nobblers	21	36
Originals	22	32
U Know the Blokes	22	29
Dingbats	22	28
Crazy Gang	22	22
NBC	21	22
Miss The Ball	21	20
Gerryatrics	22	16
Bangers	20	15
7" Clock	21	14
LHS	22	14
Mean Machine	22	10

Division C	Pld	Pts
Castouts	22	34
Countrymen	22	32
Whiskey Chasers	22	27
Pioneers	21	26
Strawpeedoes	21	23
Bulldogs	20	22
Unknowns	22	20
Aussies Lot	21	18
Survivors	22	18
Pinseekers	22	17
Alcoholics	22	14
AFAR	21	7

Division D	Pld	Pts
Yo Yo's	22	34
Groundhogs	22	34
Stingers	21	30
Let 'em Roll	19	26
Brandy Snaps	20	24
Alleycats	22	22
Offcuts	22	21
Featherbeds	22	20
Hidden Talent	19	18
Bad Girls	22	11
Tiger Lilies	22	8
Pinbashers	21	6

Highest individual score; B.Franklin (U know the Blokes) 93.

Ladies; N.Broad (Hidden talent) 85.

Swimming

Good showing from Barracudas at Dorchester

LAST Saturday Bridport Barracudas attended the Dorset Graded Meet at Dorchester Sports Centre.

Twelve clubs from all over Dorset competed with the Barracudas finishing ninth overall. The 17 children achieved 35 PB's between them and came away with eight medals.

Medal winners: Nathan Moorey (1st 100IM, 2nd 50 Breast Stroke; 3rd 100 Breast Stroke); Jessamy Fursman (1st 100 Free Style); Kierron Wheeler (2nd 200 Free, 3rd 50 Fly); Jess St Barbe-Baker (3rd 200 Free); Caitlin Sloman 3rd (100 Breast Stroke).

There were fantastic swims from the group with PB's achieved by Moorey (100 Breast stroke -10sec); Fursman (50 Fly -8sec); Wheeler (200 Free -29sec); St Barbe-Baker (200 Free -30sec); Erin Parker (100 Free Style -18sec, 100 Backstroke -14sec); Ben Fry (100 Free Style -5sec); Toby Farrington (100 Free Style -10sec); Charlotte Hussey (50 Back Stroke -11sec, 100 Breast Stroke -22sec); Sloman (100 Breast Stroke -9sec); Thomas Macdonald (100 Free Style -11sec).

Mooney came third overall in the 12 Years Boys and Wheeler joint second in the Year 9 Boys.

Well done to the rest of the swimmers Evie Norton, Chloe Burns, Lucas Hawkins, Ryan Pitcher, Adam Elliott, Alicia Dunford and Albert Blackburn, as for many of the younger children this was their first open meet.

◆ **GOOD EFFORT:** The Bridport Barracudas team that took part at Dorchester

Kaitlyn through 19 second barrier

CHARD Swimming Club's successful second Club Gala of the year indicates plenty of promise for the rest of the year, *writes Mollie Simpson*.

With swimmers ranging in ages from 6 to 17, and with the help of volunteers Tessa Down, Joe Spurway, Hannah Pullinger and Susan Ross, the club achieved some excellent swims.

Regional and National Qualifications cannot officially be achieved at this level of competition, however, an outstanding 23 County Qualifying times were achieved from 13 swimmers, securing their place in the Somerset County Championships. Kaitlyn Flannigan achieved a time of 18.96 in the 25m Freestyle Novice, earning her not only first place, but a Bronze Speed badge as well.

Results: Girls 50 Fly

9 Years; 1st Catherine Webb, 2nd Esme Huntley, 3rd Kaitlyn Flannigan. 10 Years; 1st Grace Lambert, 2nd Mia Porter. 11 Years; 1st Abi Greenslade, 2nd Briana Barrand, 3rd Millie Downes. 12 Years; 1st Harriet Copeman, 2nd Phoebe Clark. 13-14 Years; 1st Xanthe Dyer, 2nd Megan Herbert, 3rd Ella Hawkins. 15 & Over ; 1st Hope Horsefield, 2nd Melissa Hanson, 3rd Flo Swan.

Boys 50 Back 9 years; 1st Finlay Downes. 10 years; 1st Freddie Coles, 2nd Rubén Wild, 3rd Jack Morgan. 11 years; 1st Louis Whittome, 2nd Joe Shrubb, 3rd Jevan Hampton-Rumbold. 12 Years; 1st Louis Rood, 2nd Jamie Porter, 3rd William Hawkins. 13-14 years; 1st Henry Taswell, 2nd Joss Copeman, 3rd Simon Davis. 15 years & over; 1st Iain Ross, 2nd Jamie Pullinger, 3rd Paul Harrison.

Girls 25 Back 8 & Under; 1st Scarlet Coles, 2nd Suzie Rood, 3rd Alara Jenkin.

Boys 25 Fly 8 & Under; 1st Harrison Larcombe, 2nd William Birchall, 3rd Henry Birchall.

Girls 200 Free 9 years; 1st Esme Huntley, 2nd Catherine Webb, 3rd Kaitlyn Flannigan. 10 years; 1st Lambert Grace, 2nd Mia Porter, 3rd Megan Lees. 11 years; 1st Millie Downes, 2nd Briana Barrand, 3rd Abi Greenslade. 12 years; 1st Phoebe Clark. 13-14 years; 1st Xanthe Dyer, 2nd Megan Herbert, 3rd Helen Underwood. 15 years & Over; 1st Melissa Hanson, 2nd Hope Horsefield, 3rd Flo Swan.

Boys 200 Fly

10 years; 1st Freddie Coles. 12 years; 1st Louis Rood, 2nd Ben Webb. 13 years; 1st Henry Taswell, 2nd Simon Davis, 3rd Oliver Bright. 15 years & Over; 1st Iain Ross, 2nd Paul Harrison.

Girls 25 Breast 8 & Under; 1st Scarlett Coles, 2nd Suzie Rood, 3rd Alara Jenkin.

Boys 25 Free 8 & Under; 1st Harrison Larcombe, 2nd Sam Davies, 3rd Oscar Porter.

Girls 100 Back 9 years; 1st Esme Huntley, 2nd Catherine Webb, 3rd Kaitlyn Flannigan. 10 years; 1st Grace Lambert, 2nd Mia Porter, 3rd Megan Lees. 11 years; 1st Abi Greenslade, 2nd Millie Downes, 3rd Mia Huntley. 12 years; 1st Saffron Clark. 13-14 years; 1st Xanthe Dyer, 2nd Imogen Waterhouse, 3rd Megan Herbert. 15 years & Over; 1st Melissa Hanson, 2nd Hope Horsefield, 3rd Flo Swan.

Boys 100 Breast 9 years; 1st Finlay Downes. 10 years; 1st Lyndon Smith, 2nd Freddie Coles, 3rd Sam Hare. 11 years; 1st Louis Whittome 2nd Joe Shrubb 3rd Oliver Collins. 12 years; 1st Louis Rood, 2nd Jamie Porter, 3rd Ben Webb. 13-14 years; 1st Simon Davis, 2nd Joss Copeman, 3rd Henry Taswell. 15 years & Over; 1st Paul Harrison, 2nd Jamie Pullinger, 3rd Iain Ross.

Girls 200 IM 9 years; 1st Catherine Webb, 2nd Esme Huntley, 3rd Kaitlyn Flannigan. 10 years; 1st Grace Lambert, 2nd Mia Porter. 11 years; 1st Briana Barrand, 2nd Millie Downes, 3rd Abi Greenslade. 12 years; 1st Harriet Copeman, 2nd Phoebe Clark. 13-14 years; 1st Xanthe Dyer, 2nd Megan Herbert, 3rd Imogen Waterhouse. 15 years & over; 1st Melissa Hanson, 2nd Flo Swan, 3rd Mollie Simpson.

50 Free Novice Boys; 1st Louis Whittome, 2nd William Hawkins, 3rd Ben Webb.

50 Free Novice Girls; 1st Ella Hawkins, 2nd Grace Lambert, 3rd Helen Underwood.

25 Free 9 & under Novice Girls; 1st Kaitlyn Flannigan, 2nd Alice Clark, 3rd Lola Saxby.**25 Free** 9 & under Novice Boys; 1st Finlay Downes, 2nd Harrison Larcombe, 3rd Sam Davies.

MOTOR RACING: A family affair for the Thornes

THIS weekend (May 9th/10th) sees an action-packed programme of speed hill climbing scheduled at the south Devon Wiscombe Park.

The main focus of attention is likely to be the annual Vintage Sports Car Club meeting on Sunday; always a first class event for enthusiasts of pre-war and historic racing cars from such manufacturers as Alfa Romeo, Bentley, Bugatti, ERA, Moran and many others.

The previous day will see the 500 Owners Association make their annual visit to Wiscombe Park.

There will be great variety on the hill with motorcycles, including Portland's Kevin and Sara Dewell on their Honda SKR combination, a number of cars powered by motorcycle engines and a selection of more contemporary saloons and sports cars, both road-going and modified in addition to single-seater racing cars.

In fact a large number of the competitors from the following day's vintage meeting will be "flexing their muscles" in the 500 event, but those who savour outright speed will be focused on the Pilbeam MP43 sports racer of Charminster's Rod Thorne who will be seeking a second outright victory in as many events at Wiscombe, having fought off the challenge of single-seater driver Mike Lee.

The Suzuki powered OMS 2000M had taken Fastest Time of the Day in the Woolbridge Motor Club run Saturday event when track conditions were decidedly slippery, but the following day Thorne was in the ascendancy with the mighty 5.0 litre Rover V8 sports racer.

Having seen his adversary go four tenths of second quicker on the first run, the Frampton garage proprietor turned the table's second time out, taking the win on a climb of 38.32 seconds compared to Lee's 38.71.

Success was made even sweeter for the Pilbeam team when Hayley Thorne took the same car to victory in the Sports Libre category.

With a change in class structure during the closed season there was an opportunity for Weymouth drivers Geoff and Graham Blake to set a new class record for Modified Series Production Cars with their Vauxhall powered Westfield SEi. Geoff did not disappoint making a fastest climb in 41.64 seconds.

Gates open for the practice runs at 10.00 with the competitive event starting after a lunch break. The meeting should be completed by 5.30pm.

Admission: Saturday £8.00 per adult, Sunday £15.00 per adult. Accompanied children under 14 free. Car Parking and transfer to the competitor's enclosure is also free.

Catering and a licenced bar will also be available.

Wiscombe Park is situated north of Blackberry Camp and will be signposted from Honiton and on the A3052.

Bridport Bowling Club

Inauspicious league start for Bridport's men

BRIDPORT'S men's teams both lost their opening county league matches.

In the Dorset League Championship they lost on all three rinks at DORCHESTER 47-63.

Chris Thorne, Bill Payne, Tom Tocher & Dave Roberts lost 15–16. Bob Taylor, Keith Brooks, Paul Jones & Ben Jones went down 14–23, as did Brian Rumble, Barry Shortland, Brian Iverson & Craig Bosher 18–24.

In the Dorset West Area League Bridport A suffered a 51-60 defeat at home to GREENHILLS A, scoring only three points.

Peter Scott & Mel Griffiths & Bob Seadon & David Gundry won 23 -21 by scoring seven on last end. Derek Hoskins, John Carter, Steve Bartlett & Andy Spiller drew 17–17, whilst Ken Sanger, Mike Smith, David Eastman & Chris Taylor went down 11–22.

The Ladies A team maintained their winning start to the season in Division 1 with a 71-48 victory over BROADSTONE A, scoring eight points.

Margaret Clapp, Sheila Jones, Alison Tibble & Frances Hewett just missed out on a hot shot, scoring seven on their last end to win 27-12. Rosemary Brooks, Marion Carter, Gill Hunt & Pamela Daters won 26–15, as did Pat Cornick, Barbara Iverson, Jan Tattershall & Laura Taylor who won 18–21.

The B team put up a good fight against their hosts' B team but lost on all rinks. Thelma Pratt, Mary Eastman, Mary Corfield & Joan Griffiths lost 19–24, as did Dinah Wilson, Marion Tocher, Janet Bird & Pam Gray 16–26. Christine Cowdrey, Pauline Newitt, Margaret Strange & Jean Seadon also went down 18–24.

In the men's SOUTH DORSET LEAGUE Bridport A and B met each other with the B winning two rinks and overall by four shots.

B Taylor, K Brooks, P Tibble & B Jones v D Hoskins, K Sanger, B Seadon & A Spoller 15-18; B Rumble, Brian Connisbee, B Iverson & C Bosher v Clive Langdon, M Smith, D Eastman & Roy Lidington 16–22; C Thorne, T Tocher, J Carter & D Roberts 17–12.

The C team won just one rink at LYME REGIS and lost overall by 10 shots.

D Smith, Alan Cowdrey, B Stone & Sam Dunn 20–16; Peter Billett, Dave Robbins, Peter Carnell & Dave Aylott 18–21; Brian Pratt, Roger Herbert, Les Brake & Dan Hoskins 11– 22.

In a friendly away against the BRIDPORT & WEST DORSET INDOOR BOWLS CLUB, the outdoors lost by 23 shots.

The friendly against tourists SELE FARM was keenly fought, but the visitors won overall 89–102, with Bridport's top rink of D Hoskins, M Eastman, J Seadon & Max Dare winning 25–17.

The Sunday friendly against SOUTH PETHERTON was a close match with each winning two rinks but Bridport prevailing overall by 17 shots. Top rink; D Hoskin, A. Bird, J Carter & L Newman with a splendid 20-7 score.

Bridport bowls

Club set for busy summer

BRIDPORT & West Dorset Indoor Bowls Club summer leagues start next week, with some intriguing matches to start the season.

In the Morning League's, Brian Legg's Firs take on Barry Mapson's Gum Trees whilst Phil Hedges Ebonies play Millie Meech's Hazels. Mike Fletcher's Dogwoods will be looking to get a good start by beating Robin Pitcher's Junipers, whilst Mike Craddock's Cedars play Hugh Rees's Kingswoods. Finally, Chris Clarke's Beeches begin the season against Peter Varney's Larches.

In the Evening League Paul Hallet's Foxhounds start with a match against Martin Grier's Great Danes, whilst Jill Harding's Elk Hounds take on Mike Fletchers's Harriers.

Barry Mapson's Dalmations are pitted against David Drake's Jack Russells, whilst Ivor Parker's Beagles play Brian Baker's Labradors, and Andy Marsh's Collies play Mike Craddock's Kerry Blues.

In fact it's going to be a packed summer all round with the club entering two teams in the County Mixed League, a team in the Famous Five National Competitions and eight friendly matches.

Taster sessions are always available. Contact Brian Baker on 01308 425247 to arrange a date.

Mark Broad Fund inviting applications

THE Mark Broad Fund is again inviting applications for assistance from up and coming sporting youngsters, whether from individuals or clubs.

Since 2004, the fund has raised around £44,000 which has been awarded to a wide range of applicants in sports of all kinds, to assist them with the ever rising costs of their chosen activities.

Anyone wishing to apply should contact trustee Colin Willcox for an application form on 07879 840862 which should be returned by Sunday, May 31st.

Although previous recipients of assistance can re-apply, new applicants will take precedence when the trustees consider this year's awards.

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◆ **RUNNERS-UP:** Dorchester Town Dynamos pictured with their trophies after the recent 2-1 defeat against Rossgarth in the Dorset County U12 Youth Cup Final. *Photo courtesy of DORSET FA*

◆ **RUNNERS-UP:** Dorchester Town Raiders pictured with their trophies after the recent 2-1 defeat against Weymouth FC in the Dorset County U13 Youth Cup Final. *Photo courtesy of DORSET FA*

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